



## CRAIG'S COLUMN

### Get Involved! Attend the Florida District Annual Assembly 2014

The Florida UU minister's spring gathering will take place on April 23-25, followed by the Florida District Annual Assembly on April 25-27. Both events will be sponsored by the UU Fellowship of Vero Beach (located at 1590 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vero Beach, FL 32960). The General Assembly will feature the following presentations:

Rev. Tandi Rogers (UUA Growth and Witness)  
 Bill Clontz (Stewardship/GIFT)  
 The FLD Board  
 Kindra Muntz (UU Justice Ministry Florida)  
 Suzanne Fast (EqUUal Access)

It's important for religious professionals and lay leaders to participate in meetings and gatherings such as these. The health of our congregation is directly affected by the health of the District. I will be there, as will John Horner, Jean Scott, and Steve Segner. If you'd like to join us, here are links to a flyer with information about the conference [http://www.uuasouthernregion.org/images/FL\\_DA\\_2014\\_Flyer\\_smaller\\_file\\_size.pdf](http://www.uuasouthernregion.org/images/FL_DA_2014_Flyer_smaller_file_size.pdf) and also a link for a registration form <http://fd8.formdesk.com/swuuc1/FLDAA14>

### A Weekly E-Newsletter for the Society

Beginning the second week of April, "This Week at UUSDBA," we will be launching a weekly newsletter sent by e-mail. You will usually see it in your mailbox early Friday morning. It will list upcoming events for the weekend and coming week and future events that are significant. We expect the e-newsletter will result in fewer e-mails sent to all members. To submit an event for the e-newsletter, please email it to [ThisWeekatUUSDBA@gmail.com](mailto:ThisWeekatUUSDBA@gmail.com). Deadline for submission is Tuesday at 11:00 p.m.

We know many of you feel inundated with e-mail but hope you will give our weekly e-newsletter a chance to prove its value to you. It will replace most if not all of the all church e-mails sent out by the office, so it will be a valuable source of information about what's happening at the Society. If you later chose to opt-out, just click on the unsubscribe link at the bottom of each issue and you will be removed from the mailing list immediately.

I will be the initial editor, and if you'd like to help out or become an editor, please let me know.

--Craig



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE— New! New! New!

A year goes fast when there's a lot going on. And a lot has been and is going on.

Now, here we are again. A growing congregation. New friends. New opportunities. New by-laws. New Life-Long Learning activities. New committees. New volunteers finding ways of serving others, enriching our congregational life. Preparing to start a new year. Selecting a new Board. Passing a new budget for a new era of our Unitarian Universalism Society. Embarking on a search for a new Settled Minister who will arrive a bit more than a year hence— what will our future hold?

The simple and truthful answer: Whatever we decide. Whatever we commit to. We, together, are the keepers of all of the alternatives. We are the creators of our future, its dreamers, its architects, its planners, its doers, its primary beneficiaries.

Yet, at the moment of this writing, there are a lot of loose ends, since we have not yet concluded our annual fund-raising canvas and not yet finalized a budget for the coming year, not yet concluded some projects we put on our plate for the current year, let alone initiating those that are in mind for the next. None the less, I have every expectation that our future is bright — bright because we have the ability, passion and intention to make it so.

As this year winds down, please make the opportunity to thank one another for the many things we do for one another. For . . . “Love *is* the spirit of this Society and service *is* its aim, to dwell together *in peace and freedom*, to *seek the truth* and to *help one another*. This *is* our goal.”

--Bill

## LIFE-LONG LEARNING— Spring Programs Continue

The Thursday Life-Long Learning programs will continue through the spring, focusing on one feature at a time of our religion or our culture. Relatively short advance readings will be helpful for those who attend the sessions. (You can request them by e-mail, and some printed copies will be available for those who do not get e-mail.) The meetings will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Members of the Life-Long Learning Committee will prepare a short introduction that broadly presents the major movements in the evolution of the aspect of the culture for discussion that evening. Then an open discussion will follow. The Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> program will feature “Political Evolution” with Jean Scott, and Joan Thate will lead the May 8<sup>th</sup> program “Religious Evolution.”

There will also be an informative session presented by the LGBT Committee on Thursday, April 24 and some additional Wednesday afternoon sessions with Rev. Roshaven with the subjects to be announced later. We hope that you will join us for all of the series, but since the programs will not be sequential, attend as many as appeal to you.

—Joan Thate

## UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

**March 30, 2014—Rev. Craig C. Roshaven “The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness.”**  
 “Now and then, a book comes along that might, in time, touch the public and educate social commentators, policymakers, and politicians about a glaring wrong that we have been living with that we also somehow don't know how to face. *The New Jim Crow....is such a book*” — *The New York Review of Books*

**April 6, 2014— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “Celebrating Our Community: The Flower Communion”**  
 The Flower Communion Service was created by the Rev. Norbert Capek in Prague, Czechoslovakia. All are invited to bring a flower and place it in a vase, signifying your choice to join with others in the community.

**April 13, 2014— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “A Sense of the Holy”**  
 Despite the real diversity that exists in our congregations, there is a center to our faith that binds us together. What, then, is this center? In 1995, a convocation of Unitarian Universalist ministers answered this question: “The enduring center of our faith is a profound sense of the holy and a critical trust in the power of reason.”

**April 20, 2014— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “The Miracle of Easter”**  
 The miracle of Easter is that so many of us still believe, despite the horrors of history, despite the crucifixion, that the power of God's love can be made manifest here and now and that nothing can stop its unfolding.

**April 28, 2014—Gaia Davies and the Green Team “Earth Day Celebration”**  
 Since the first Earth Day in 1970, celebrations have promoted environmental awareness and respect for life on our planet. Our Green Team presentation will focus on personal transformation in connection with nature.

**May 4, 2014— Rev. Craig C. Roshaven, “I Have Been to the Mountaintop (and No One Was There)”**  
 Imagine we are living in Greece during the time when everyone knew the Gods live on Mount Olympus. But what would happen if one of us managed to climb Mount Olympus and discovered that there were no Gods?

## THE ALLIANCE

Thirty members of the Alliance will be going to lunch on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Cafe 101. Since part of our mission statement is to have fun and enjoy each other's company, we shall also visit the photography museum, located inside the Hosseini Center at Daytona State College as well.

The Alliance will be hosting a soup lunch on April 13<sup>th</sup> — the second Sunday in April— the date of the Annual Meeting. Members will enjoy a quick lunch and can then listen and participate attentively with full and satisfied appetites at the meeting.

The Alliance crafts group is busy making cards for the Caring Committee. We enjoy being creative and designing get well cards for people in our congregation. The craft group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 10:00 in Room One. All are welcome, so please come join us. It is a great way to meet new people.

We are preparing a full docket for Share the Plate offering partners this year. We choose charities that are small and local. If you have an organization you would like us to consider, please come and share your idea.

The Alliance meets on the second Thursday of each month at noon. We will be discussing our 7<sup>th</sup> principle: “Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.” I hope to see you there!

--Jeanne Young, Alliance President

## BUILDING OUR BUDGET

We honor and recognize each of our members and friends who have pledged to support our UU through the coming fiscal year by making a financial commitment to our Society. We gratefully acknowledge their contribution to our shared future, and we invite everyone to join us in this important endeavor. Here is our current list (as of March 23<sup>rd</sup>) of all who have pledged support for our May 2014/April 2015 operating budget.

–Your Pledge Committee

Marion Ahlstedt  
 Harriett Anderson  
 Ric and Susie Angell  
 Anonymous  
 Amanda and Ashni Attri  
 Ann Awdey  
 Beverly Berger  
 Peggy Bosworth  
 Martha Brandt and Dan Gribbin  
 Bill & Mary Cambre  
 Carole Cappalli and Jim Connell  
 Denise M. Carter and Natalie Miller  
 Morris Carter  
 Mimi Cerniglia  
 Don Cunningham  
 Gaia and Kurtland Davies  
 Fay Dawson  
 Patty Devine and Dennis Alsobrook  
 Phil Elliott  
 Barbara Eveleigh  
 Betsey Fales  
 Julia Fanok  
 Martin Feigenbaum  
 Ed and Cille Flanagan  
 Susan and Preston Garrison  
 Allen Gilbert  
 Travis and Judy Gordon  
 Phil and Betty Green  
 Chris Gruner and Jeanne Young  
 Annajane Gutwein  
 Charles and Ann Hall  
 Dorothy and Christopher Hartley  
 Thomas Hilburn  
 John Horner and Jean Scott  
 Cliff and Cathy Jackson  
 Donna Jordan and Steve McLachlin  
 Linda Kalaydjian  
 Dan and Joanne Kennedy

Don and Evie Kennedy  
 Dan Kerr and Rosemary Burns  
 John and Marti King  
 Terri and Ed Kolaska  
 Michael and Shirley List  
 Sam Magarelli  
 Desiree Martinez  
 Judith McCausland  
 Marilou McKemie  
 Sheila McMahan  
 Jack Moeller  
 Leigh Montgomery and Harry White  
 Ashley Moore  
 Joyce & Bruce Nelson  
 Ellen Nielsen  
 Enda Nolan  
 Robert Palmer  
 Roger and Maritza Patterson  
 Dick Peppers  
 Heather Ragsdale  
 Deb Reilly  
 Val Rellstab  
 Peter and Lorell Remington  
 Sharon Rich  
 Renny Roker and Linda Sanders  
 Marilyn Sapsford  
 Rita Scheeler  
 Bob Scherer and Laurie Ward  
 Nancy Scherr  
 Steve Segner  
 Bill and Jan Ternent  
 Terry Terranera  
 Joan Thate  
 Patty Tugas  
 Lani Van Petten  
 Mary Wentzel  
 Carolyn West  
 Rosa Zidelis

## SHARE THE PLATE: Shoes-That-Fit.

On April 20, 2014 we will share our collection plate with Shoes-That-Fit. Since 2006, our UU Society has been supporting the Family Renew Community by providing new shoes and socks to all school age children. The shoe harvest is guided by a 22-year-old grass roots organization— Shoes-That Fit:



In August of each year, the social workers at each facility measure the children's feet and provide their names, ages, gender, and shoe sizes to the Alliance volunteers. Then a pair of shoes/socks for each child is purchased with your donation, wrapped and tagged, then delivered before the first day of school. You can imagine that the children are thrilled, and to date we have provided over 600 pair of shoes.

Shoes-That-Fit accepts no government funding and 100% of community donations go directly to school children through an impressive network of volunteer-run local grassroots chapters. Thus Shoes-That-Fit is uniquely efficient and effective in its life-changing operations — helping kids improve their self-esteem and fit in at school by eliminating one of poverty's most visible and debilitating marks. **Please remember to bring your generous contribution on April 20, 2014!**

--Joyce Nelson

## NOTES FROM THE BACKROOM – Religious Education

HOORAY! Spring is here and we are about to achieve one of our main goals — starting a special program for our 12-year-olds and up. Jenny Nazak has volunteered her time once a month to work with our tweens and teens. We are encouraging our young folk to help devise a curriculum that addresses topics of interest specific to their age group. Of course Ms. Jenny's expertise in ecology and permaculture will contribute greatly to this program. We thank her for making this possible.

Who has been watching the new series *Cosmos* on TV? How timely that it fits into our curriculum of exploring the scientific story of the creation of the universe and life on earth. Someone has donated four beautiful books on these topics to us and we thank them so much, whoever you are. We have been creating all sorts of beautiful abstract cosmic art and making our own constellation cards. Soon we move into evolution, fossils and dinosaurs. After that a review of UU principles using the great bookmarks and poster that Alliance bought us. Thanks for all your help.

--Debbie Hanson

## MOVIE NIGHT!

The Welcoming Congregation Committee will present our second movie night with the movie "*The Crying Game*" on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be available and all are welcome to attend. The film explores "themes of race, gender, nationality, and sexuality against the backdrop of the Irish Troubles." Don't miss this successful 1992 British psychological thriller about a reluctant agent of the Irish Republican Army and the interesting discussion to follow.

--Rita Scheeler

## NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON!

Our UU website, currently over ten years old, is taking on a new look. We hope the new design will enable you to easily find information about what's going on at UU. We hope it will allow visitors to quickly learn who we are, and what we believe and do. Check it out at the [www.uuormond.org](http://www.uuormond.org) address.

--Joanne Kennedy and Judy Gordon, Web Team

## "F.A.I.T.H. MOVES MOUNTAINS"

Plan to join us in attending the F.A.I.T.H. Action Assembly on April 7, 2014, 6:30 p.m. at Bethune-Cookman Performing Arts Center. Volusia County's interfaith community-based social action organization has already benefitted our community. We have joined with over 30 other congregations in our area to tackle local social problems by creating systemic change to assure justice for all. Check our UU website for more information about F.A.I.T.H. Meanwhile, we can meet at 5:30 p.m. at the UU parking lot to car pool from there. In these efforts, numbers count, so plan to join others and **make your voice heard at the April 7<sup>th</sup> Action Assembly!**



## STANDING ON THE SIDE OF LOVE

On Thursday, March 20, Father Phil Egitto, many members of Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Ellen and Carolyn of UU Ormond, and I, representing the ACLU, went to the state prison in Starke to join a vigil for Robert Lavern Henry, executed by the State of Florida for the 1987 gruesome murder of two women who worked with him— clearly not a good deed. So, why did we go there?

Human beings are multi-faceted. Between the poles of kindness and cruelty, Henry was probably not fundamentally different from the rest of us. He had been in the military. We know of soldiers from the first Gulf War who experienced blackouts with episodes of severe aggression. Was he, too, a victim of such a circumstance? Another prisoner, one who was exonerated after spending 18 years on death row, got to know Robert Henry there. He described Henry as a kind and caring individual. So we wonder what could have triggered his cruelty. Had he lived, we might have learned something about veterans, about ourselves, or about the human brain under stress. But we will never know because he is dead now; we have also deprived ourselves of possible knowledge by killing him. The same day that Henry died, Gov. Rick Scott signed the death warrant for Robert E. Hendrix, who is scheduled to be executed on April 23.

--Reinhold Schlieper



## UUA ADOPTS A NEW LOGO

The Unitarian Universalist Association, our national organization, has adopted a new logo, a bright red image of our flaming chalice. According to the UUA website, "for many people, the logo will be the first introduction to who we are." Characteristics suggested by this logo include "brave, enlightening, warm, spiritual, energizing, having integrity, welcoming . . ."



April 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<p><b>1</b> Crafts: 10 am-1 pm</p> <p>Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>2</b> Choir: 6-7:30 pm</p> <p>CUUPS: 7-9 pm</p>	<p><b>3</b> Caring Committee: 10 am-noon Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm Membership Mtg. 5-6:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>4</b> Homeschool: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p><b>Friday potluck: 6 -8:30 pm</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> Geho Gold Session 2 11 am-5 pm</p>
<p><b>6</b> Discussion: 9:15-10:15 am Service: 10:30-11:30 am Talk About: noon-1 pm Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>F.A.I.T.H. Action Assembly BCU Arts Center 6:30 pm</b> Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm Buddhist Sangha: 7:30-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>8</b> Writers Group: 10 am-1 pm Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>9</b> Finance Committee Mtg. 1:30-3 pm Choir: 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>10</b> Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm Alliance Meeting: noon-2 pm Communication Skills 1: 2-3 pm Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm Life-Long Learning: 7-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>11</b> Homeschool: 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>Movie- "Welcoming Congregation" 7 - 10 pm</p>	<p><b>12</b> Subud Mtg. 6-9 pm</p> <p><b>NE Breeze</b> articles due to Donna Jordan on the 13<sup>th</sup></p>
<p><b>13</b> Discussion: 9:15-10:15 am Service: 10:30-11:30 am Luncheon: 11:40-12:30 <b>Congregational Meeting: 12:30-2:30 pm</b> Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>14</b> Program Committee Mtg. 11:30-12:30 pm Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm Buddhist Sangha: 7:30-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>15</b> Crafts: 10 am-1 pm Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>16</b> Choir: 6-7:30 pm CUUPS: 7-9 pm</p>	<p><b>17</b> Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm <b>Board Meeting: 5-7 pm</b> N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>18</b> Homeschool: 10 am-2 pm Crystal Meditation: 6-7 pm Movie Night: 7-9 pm</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p><b>The Jotter</b> articles due on April 20</p>
<p><b>20</b> Discussion: 9:15-10:15 am Service: 10:30-11:30 am Talk About: noon-1 pm Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>21</b> Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm Buddhist Sangha: 7:30-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>22</b> Writers Group 10 am-1 pm Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>23</b> Choir: 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>24</b> Democracy Now: 10:30-12:30 pm Way of Mastery: 4:30-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm Life-Long Learning 7-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>25</b> Homeschool: 10 am-2 pm</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27</b> Discussion: 9:15-10:15 am Service: 10:30-11:30 am Talk About: noon-1 pm Tai Chi: 5-6 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>28</b> Yoga: 6:15-7:45 pm Buddhist Sangha: 7:30-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>29</b> Meditation: 6:30-8:30 pm N Anon: 7-8 pm</p>	<p><b>30</b> Choir: 6-7:30 pm</p>			

**Pulpit Presentations for April 2014**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter:</u>	<u>Service Leader</u>
April 6--	“Celebrating Our Community: Flower Communion”	--Rev. Craig Roshaven	--Denise Miller Carter
April 7 (Monday) --F.A.I.TH. Action Assembly -- 6:30 p.m. at Bethune Cookman Performing Arts			
April 13--	“A Sense of the Holy”	--Rev. Craig Roshaven Congregational Meeting after the service	--Dorothy Hartley
April 20--	“The Miracle of Easter”	--Rev. Craig Roshaven Share-the-Plate with Shoes That Fit with Joyce Nelson	--Phil Elliott
April 27 --	“Earth Day Celebration”	--Our Green Team	--Chris Gruner

*April Birthdays*



**The Jotter**

**April 2014**

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