

View from the Study Window...

Last Sunday was an absolutely gorgeous late summer day. Most of our usual Sunday morning congregation was at Unirondack camp. Glenn and I had good work to do in town here - a memorial service and, of course, the Sunday morning service. But I admit I was still a bit jealous.

I did get outdoors Sunday afternoon – an afternoon all the more precious for our noticeably early sunsets and cooler nights. At last, of all the things I might have been doing, this simple savoring was my highest priority.

E. B. White once wrote, "If the world were merely seductive, that would be easy. If it were merely challenging, that would be no problem. But I arise in the morning torn between a desire to improve (or save) the world, and a desire to enjoy (or savor) the world. This makes it hard to plan the day."

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Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.



October 4 Tracking the Wild Soul

Rev. Jean L. Wahlstrom

It has been said that the human soul is like a wild animal. No, not a coyote, bear, or animal spirit, but something elusive, usually hidden from sight, and hesitant to reveal itself. To search for the soul is to enter wild territory.

First Sunday luncheon today.

October 11 "One God – At Most"

Rev. Jean L. Wahlstrom

Adalai Stevenson is commonly credited with the quip that we Unitarians are those who believe in "one god – at most". Some UUs, however, are more apt to see divinity everywhere, and in everyone, around us.

Following the Service there will be a reception for Karen Love in the Social Hall.

October 18 "Building a Legacy"

Worship Committee

What will you leave behind when your time has come to leave this earthly world? Today's message is a reminder to us all that each and every day is an opportunity to build our own personal legacy of love and good work and creativity.

October 25 All My Memories of Love – Memory Tree Service

Rev. Jean L. Wahlstrom with Judy Antoine

The Memory Tree Service is our annual way of honoring and remembering our beloved dead. With story, song, and ritual, we will celebrate lives lived, gifts given, hearts opened by the spirit of love. The story for this intergenerational worship will be about the Mexican holiday *el Dia de los Muertos*.



Wheel of Life

Many thanks to Mike and Mariah Dillon and their crew for organizing the Opening Day Picnic. It was great to be together again.

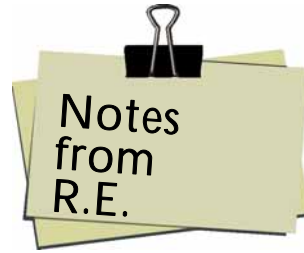
Thank you,
Alexa Carter

Many thanks to those who brought baked goods and who helped with tasks at the reception following the memorial service for Hildegard VanderSluis, especially Linda Wobus, Irene Blakeslee, Adele Toney, Don MacKay, and Paul Ryfun. Mary Burdick furnished flower arrangements. Apologies to anyone not recognized by name; we had a lovely reception, thanks to all of you.

Bob Buck is home from the hospital after unsuccessful back surgery. Our hearts go out to him and Sunnie.

Judy Thomas, too, is home from the hospital. After a brief setback, she continues her slow improvement. It's been a long slog for her and Chris.

Randy Archambault able to get out of the house when something is really needed, though she is nursing a couple of fractured lumbar vertebrae and wearing a back brace. Hope to see her soon!



By the time you are reading this article our RE program will be up and running! Lots of preparations go into getting those grouping together and everything in its place. We are graced, here at May, with wonderful parents who guide our children in their religious exploration.

We had a wonderful guide training on September 16th. At it, Julie Daniel and Kevin King led a great session on group dynamics and encouraging positive behavior. One might think of this as behavior management, but Kevin and Julie really approached it from how do we as leaders create a group culture where cooperation is the norm. This seems a bit different to me than simply managing behavior.

One of the opening exercises they had us do was to have each of us list a goal we had for ourselves in being a guide. I was so touched by those goals that I wanted to list them here for you:

- To foster a loving spiritual community among the kids
- Engage my child in the community.
- Cultivate a positive fun experience for the kids
- To support children in their journey in UUism through movement – find a new way to explore this
- To make connections with the children I am teaching
- To positively connect with children and to smile and laugh
- To create a comfortable atmosphere for the children
- To encourage them to think
- Provide a warm thoughtful and safe place to learn about each other
- To share ideas, explore beliefs, and have fun
- To get the kids (kindergartners and first graders) to begin to think about their values for themselves not simply repeat things other have told them
- To bring myself more fully than I now expect to forming connections with the children
- To have children enjoy learning about UUism and that the like coming on Sundays

I was reminded once again how lucky our children are to have such love and commitment present in their guides. It looks to be a great year!

Remember:

- October 4th – regular RE programming
- October 11 – Special programming in RE
- October 18 – Regular RE programming – CROP walk downtown in the afternoon
- October 25 – Intergenerational Memory Tree service

~Jennifer Hamlin Navias
Director of Religious Education Ministries



Marvelous History Corner

The Other Side of the History Door

Two years ago I wrote about the almost marriage of Fred Wilkinson, grandson of Sam May, to Winnie Davis, a daughter of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War. This article was written primarily from the viewpoint of Fred, as best I could capture it from an historical viewpoint. My colleague, Karen Dau, NYSCU and First Universalist Church of Rochester Historian, subsequently sent me some information that gives the same story from Winnie's viewpoint. This information comes from *Crowns of Thorns and Glory* by Gerry Van Der Heuvel (NY: E. P. Dutton, 1988).

When Winnie and Fred fell in love in 1888 after she had visited friends in Syracuse, they both knew there would be problems with their respective parents, especially Jefferson Davis and his wife Varina, who were still smarting over the loss of the Civil War and his imprisonment for a period. Because Sam May, who had died in 1868 three years after the war ended, was still known throughout much of the south as one of those "abolitionists" who had been thought responsible, in part, for causing the war, they were none too happy about this romance. Jefferson was very much against it and let her know it. She had been born in 1864, in Richmond, Virginia, in the "White House" of the confederacy and was actually known throughout the south as the "daughter of the confederacy," so there was much at stake here. Winnie was so distraught over all the disagreement that she became very thin and run-down. Jefferson then convinced her to go with friends on a cruise to Europe. Unfortunately, when she was in Paris in December of 1889, her father died. Her resulting grief added to the depression she felt over the unfortunate love affair.

Varina then decided that she did not want to sacrifice her daughter's happiness because of past Confederacy issues and actually announced their engagement in April of 1890. The furor in the southern newspapers was actually much greater than anyone had even anticipated. About this time inquiries were made by some of her family members into Fred's circumstances and the word came back that he would have trouble supporting a wife and eventual family. As a consequence, Fred learned of these inquiries, became angry, and wrote Winnie a fairly heated letter. One thing led to another and Varina used the newspapers once again to say the wedding was postponed. By the fall of that year the engagement was finally broken off.

It is difficult to know how much that broken engagement affected her. She did go on to become somewhat fairly well known as an author, but her health never regained its full vigor. She died in September of 1898 at the age of 34. She was buried with full military honors. Standing in the back of the church during the services was none other than a very saddened Fred Wilkinson. What could have been was never to be.

~Rog Hiemstra, Chair,
History Committee

50th Birthday Celebration

Saturday, **October 31, 2009** marks exactly 50 years since the Unitarians and the Universalists agreed to join. We will mark the event with a party **at the Hotel Syracuse**, the exact site where the decision was made.

Scholars from both traditions will be on hand to share their thoughts about our first fifty years. Our own Liz Strong will be joined by David Bumbaugh, Dick Gilbert, David Parke, and Tom Chulak. Brochures are in the pamphlet rack and on line at the district website.

If you registered before August 31, you can take advantage of a special low rate made possible by a grant from NYSCU, The New York State Convention of Universalists.

We are fortunate to be residents of the area, but visitors will be needing housing. If you would like to offer a room in your home for home hospitality, please contact Donna Rohde donnarohde@yahoo.com 315-247-8890.





Do You Have Questions about Unitarian Universalism?

UU 101 is a one-hour class offered throughout the year by the Membership Committee. It is designed to give newcomers and prospective new members a brief overview of Unitarian Universalism, to provide information about May Memorial, and to answer questions. Pre-registration is not required and childcare is available.

The next class will be on Sunday, **October 25, from noon to 1 p.m.** in the Memorial Room. Stop by the Welcoming Table for further information or e-mail:

Upcoming Convention

The **New York State Convention of Universalists (NYSCU)** will be holding its annual meeting **at the First Universalist Church of Rochester**, New York on **October 17, 2009**. May Memorial has received two grants from this organization to use for work with our history committee. Dick Gilbert will be the keynote speaker. Information postcards can be found in the pamphlet rack.

~Alexa Carter

Capital Fund and Expenditures Update

At the Board Meeting on August 22, 2009, the MMUUS Board of Trustees appointed me as Treasurer of the Capital and Endowment Fund. At the annual meeting the Capital Fund Report covered the period from July 1, 2008 – March 31, 2009. It seems appropriate to share with the congregation the final report for fiscal year 2008-09.

Our capital fund is being depleted by the lack of enough cash in our operating fund to pay for all the income and expenses incurred during some months of the year. We need to work together to find ways to reverse this trend. I would welcome your thoughts on this.

In faith,

Randy Case, Capital and Endowment Fund Treasurer

CAPITAL FUND REPORT

ASSETS AS OF JUNE 30, 2008

T. RowePrice Mutual Funds	
Prime Reserve Money Market	\$93,513
Growth Stock Fund	10,930
Extended Equity Market Index	10,213
Geddes Federal Savings Checking Account	216
Cash on Hand	600
BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2008	<u>\$115,472</u>

Note: The Geddes account was closed on 10/29/08. A checking account was opened at Alliance Bank.

ASSETS AS OF JUNE 30, 2009

T. RowePrice Mutual Funds	
Prime Reserve Money Market	\$69,586
Growth Stock Fund	8,072
Extended Equity Market Index	7,402
Alliance Bank Checking Account	1,742
BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2009	<u>\$86,802</u>

EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

Transfer to Operating Fund	\$7,746
Repair of Sidewalks	11,900
Repair of Bridge	4,847
Electrical Modification	687
Misc. Items	682
TOTAL	<u>\$25,862</u>



The Quest for Social Justice

The work goes on, the cause endures, the hope still lives, and the dream shall never die.
~Senator Ted Kennedy

I note with sadness the passing of Edward M. Kennedy. His resounding voice speaking on behalf of those without a public voice of their own has been silenced; his advocacy and persona will be sorely missed. Ted Kennedy and I were born in the same year and I was drawn to civil rights work in 1965 when Ted managed his first major piece of legislation, the Immigration Act of 1965. He was also a strong supporter of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, to end discrimination against minorities in voting, an act pushed by President Lyndon Baines Johnson in large measure in response to the deaths of UUs Rev James Reeb and Viola Liuzzo.

Those were heady times for UU activists, as minority participation in the newly merged Unitarian and Universalist faiths increased. The growth of minorities within UU congregations during the 60's turned out to be an anomaly that slowed nearly to a standstill during the 70s, in some cases reversing, as minorities left our churches in significant numbers.

Over the ensuing years there have been many attempts to reverse that trend including our own Covenants, one of which reads; ***we covenant to foster a community that embraces diversity in all of its manifestations within a safe positive and nurturing environment.*** These noble and inspiring words include the active verb foster denoting some kind of action on our part; the question is what?

As I take note of the loss of Ted Kennedy I welcome the inauguration of Reverend Peter Morales as the newly elected President of the UUA. Peter is also an activist and strong advocate for multi cultural, multi racial inclusiveness in our congregations. During a pre-election interview Rev Morales said ***If our faith is to be relevant it must move beyond being a faith dominated by white Europeans and defined by upper middle class northeastern culture.*** Much of this month's UU World is devoted to this topic signaling the beginning of what I expect will be an ongoing dialogue. I hope to encourage some of that dialogue here at May during coming months.

I would be remiss while noting events of significance, if I failed to mention Karen Love's many contributions to May Memorial and especially the Social Justice Committee. Karen has elected to devote more of her time to her other profession and will be leaving May at the end of September. Karen has been a good friend and supporter of May's Social Justice Committee; on behalf of the entire committee a huge thanks Karen, for all your extra efforts on our behalf. Karen has been a social activist in her own Methodist Church, traveling on missions to the Gulf Coast to assist in rebuilding a Methodist Church severely damaged in not one but two hurricanes. Karen, you are always welcome back to join our committee functions and meetings. We wish you the very best as you move toward a bright future.

Respectfully,
Harsey Leonard, Chairman
MMUUS Social Justice Committee



The downtown Crop Walk is happening on **Sunday, October 18** after church. This important fund raiser, organized by Church World Service, is focused on helping to alleviate world hunger. It is a wonderful family event. Fund raising envelopes will be available in the social hall in September. We had a good turn out last year; let's have a GREAT turn out this year.

~Social Justice Committee

Commemorative Jazz Concert

On October 30, 1959 the Unitarians and Universalists joined forces, as did Harsey and Joyce (Arthurton) Leonard. To commemorate the occasion, a Keith Jarrett tribute jazz piano concert will be performed in their honor at May on **Friday, October 23, 2009 at 7 pm.** The pianist, Ms. Alison Margaret, is a widely known jazz artist, music educator, and pianist based in Madison, WI.

May members, friends and the general public are invited to attend. In lieu of gifts, donations to benefit MMUUS will be accepted.

Discussion Groups

All are welcome to participate in the second **Chautauqua Circle Fall "Potpourri"**. On **Tuesday, October 20, 7:30-9 in the Memorial Room**, we'll add excerpts and comments from "Ethics of Capitalism" and "Cuba: Enigma and Neighbor" weeks to the discussion. September lectures being discussed are from weeks on "What Makes Us Moral: An Abrahamic Perspective" and "Imagine" (www.ciweb.org).

Chautauqua Circle is an open discussion group facilitated by May Memorialites, who attended Chautauqua Institution lectures during parts of its 2009 Summer Season. Contact Geri Aird at geri@aird.us for copies of CDs from Chautauqua's Great Lecture Library. (Free three minute samples available at www.thegreatlecturelibrary.com.)

The **"What in the World"** discussion group will meet at **10 am on October 20th** in the Memorial Room. The topic will be "The Gospel of Inclusion", found on pages 26-32 in the fall issue of UU World magazine. Copies will be available in the foyer rack across from the minister's office. It's sure to be an interesting morning - come join us!

~Geri Aird



Committee Members Needed

Several of our most important committees are seeking new members for the coming church year. Membership on a committee is a wonderful way to get to know a few members of May Memorial very well while enhancing the health of our community. Please contact Nancy Pease npease@twcnj.rr.com for more information.

Fundraising – This group plans and engineers events throughout the year to earn money for the general fund.

Hospitality - With a group where food and drink is as important as it is at May Memorial, the hospitality committee must be well staffed and run.

Public Relations – Getting important messages out to the greater community as well as to our own membership is the main job of this committee. Comfort with the computer is a big help here.

Stewardship - It is time for this committee to be a year round entity. Starting early in the year to develop and execute a plan will insure a smooth and successful canvass.

Worship Team – Work with a group to plan the weekly worship service. Learn more about UU traditions

Men's Fellowship



All men of May Memorial are invited to the monthly Men's Fellowship meeting in the Social Hall on the third Wednesday of the month. At our next meeting on **October 21st** we will start with a potluck dinner at 6:30.

It will be an informal chance to get to know a bit more about each other, share our interests, and discuss a topic or two. See you there.

~Don MacKay

Bookenders

Bookenders is a daytime book group which meets once a month at **1:30 the fourth Thursday of the month in the Teen Room**. Join us for one fascinating read or for all of them.

Oct. 29 *Three Cups of Tea*
Greg Mortenson

Dec. 3 *Forever or North River*
Pete Hamill

~Vicky Schipper



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Some Thoughts About Food and Health.

What we eat has changed more during the past thirty years than in the previous thirty thousand. Trans fats, genetically engineered soybeans, livestock pumped with growth hormones and fed slaughterhouse waste, Chicken McNuggets – nobody’s ever eaten this stuff before. We’ve become a nation of guinea pigs, the subjects in a vast scientific experiment, waiting to see what happens when human beings eat too much industrialized food.” **Eric Schlosser** in the forward to “Grub”.

“Those 35,000 items in the typical grocery store are mostly manufactured products, manufactured with a single goal in mind: to bring the companies’ shareholders the highest return.” Also from “Grub”, written by Anna Lappe and Bryant Perry.

David Servan-Schreiber, in “AntiCancer, A New Way of Life”, describes the typical Western diet as “a fertilizer for cancer”.

Michael Pollan, author of “Omnivore’s Dilemma” and “In Defense of Food”, recently wrote an op-ed piece entitled “Big Food vs. Big Insurance” in which he points out that solving the health care crisis may require taking on the food industry. He cites information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that three-quarters of health care spending now goes to treat “preventable chronic diseases”, many of which – obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and many types of cancer – are linked to what we eat. “Cheap food” - the thousands of supermarket products produced by the food industry that are heavy on sugar and fat - contributes to those “preventable” diseases. “One of the leading products of the American food industry has become patients for the American health care industry”, which currently finds “it more profitable to treat chronic diseases than to prevent them.”

Or, as he wrote it in “In Defense of Food”: “Apparently it is easier, or at least a lot more profitable, to change a disease of civilization (diabetes) into a lifestyle than it is to change the way that civilization eats.”

And there are also environmental issues related to food:

“... eating home-cooked meals from whole, in-season ingredients obtained from the most local source available is eating well, in every sense. Good for the habitat, good for the body.”

“Pushing a refrigerated green vegetable from one end of the earth to another is, let’s face it, a bizarre use of fuel.” **Barbara Kingsolver**, “Animal, Vegetables, Miracle”

And finally, from Michael Pollan, his brief prescription: “Eat Food, Not Too Much, Mostly Plants.”

~John Allen,
Chair, Green Sanctuary Committee

Goodbye to MMUS

As many of you have now heard, or perhaps seen by the empty chair behind the desk, I have chosen to leave my position as Administrative Assistant at May Memorial. I am quite certain that the position will be filled quickly and May will move on and grow in many wonderful ways. I too have many plans outside of May, and wanted to let you know what I will be doing.

A lot of folks did not know that I am a Social Worker by training and work with Developmentally Challenged adults. I will continue to do this. Because my hours are primarily evenings, I will have time to spend with my aging parents. I also will continue to worship at my church in Cicero, NY and participate in Missions several times a year, phew!

I have loved working at May Memorial because of the diverse population of people I have met and made friendships with and especially because of the like mindedness of rights for all human beings that is so similar with the way I have been raised.

Working here has been glorious from the beauty of hearing Glenn practice while I type, to the challenge of learning new computer skills to better do my job. I cherish every individual who has shown me love and caring in their unique way, and thank especially my co-workers for some amazing teamwork. There is a very bright future in the youth of this Congregation, be proud. Don’t be surprised if you look up and see me singing or walking in the Crop walk, I’m sure our paths will cross!

Peace,
Karen





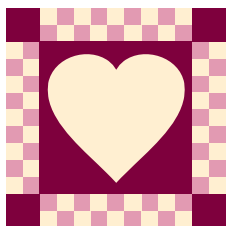
Art Gallery Update

A show by the Quilt Divas, fiber artists residing in the Finger Lakes Region near Ithaca NY, will be presented at the May Memorial Unitarian Universalist Gallery from October 11 through November 15. The Quilt Divas founded their group in 2001 and meet monthly for critiques, discussion, and exploration.

Their work is as varied as their backgrounds in art, medicine, education, and the sciences. Creations range from realistic to abstract and from 2-D and 3-D wall hangings to sculpture. Each pursues a personal vision challenging and stretching the dimensions of fiber art.

Gallery hours: Monday - Friday 12-4; Sunday 10-1. Call 446-8920 for access to the gallery space during the week.

~Bev Adams



Proposed constitutional amendment:

Article VII, ministerial staff. Currently :

“The Society may engage the services of a minister or ministers as the members from time to time deem advisable for the conduct of services, religious instruction, personal guidance and counseling, and the performance of such duties as usually pertain to the office. The minister(s) shall be non - voting ex-officio members of all Society organizations and committees *except the Nominating Committee.*”

We propose the following change, making the minister an ex-officio non-voting member of the Nominating Committee.

The revision would read:

“The Society may engage the services of a minister or ministers as the members from time to time deem advisable for the conduct of services, religious instruction, personal guidance and counseling, and the performance of such duties as usually pertain to the office. The minister(s) shall be non - voting ex-officio members of all Society organizations and committees.”

~The Nominating Committee

Looking for a One time Way to Get Involved?

Sunday morning provides the perfect opportunity to get involved at May Memorial. Whether you are reserved or outgoing there is a task that always needs done. Stuff the bulletin, greet folks as they arrive, make the coffee or help clean up. Got a creative side? Why not decorate the Sanctuary on week. Each job is showing love and concern for the community as well as a great way to get to know someone you may have never met.

Look for the sign up sheets outside Pastor Jean’s office, and give the Worship Team a hand.



News from the Adult Education Committee

The Adult Education Committee has many offerings for the 2009-2010 year. Please look for our brochure which lists it all in more detail. Following is a brief synopsis of the things you can look for from us this year.

Spanophiles, a conversational Spanish group, meets the first and third Sundays of each month in the Teen Room after the service for about an hour. Judy Antoine (jantoine@twcnny.rr.com) is the contact person.

Bookenders, a daytime book group, meets once a month on the fourth Thursday in the Teen Room at 1:30PM. Vicky Schipper (victoria@twcnny.rr.com) is the contact person.

Meditation with Doug Igelsrud (digelsrud@twcnny.rr.com) meets Sunday mornings from 9:40-10:10. Contact Doug for more information.

“What in the World” Discussions meet the third Tuesdays of the month at 10AM. Alice Aylesworth (alicea@blufrog.net) is the contact person for this group, which focuses on articles from our UUA publication, The UU World.

New Men’s Fellowship Group meets the third Wednesday of the month at 6PM in the Social Hall. All men are welcome to attend. Contact Pete Shambo (peteshambo@gmail.com) for more information.

Chautauqua Circle is an open discussion group facilitated by Geri Aird (geri@aird.us) who has attended the Chautauqua Institute lectures during the Summer 2009 season. Watch your newsletter for dates and times.

Building Your Own Theology uses the Richard Gilbert series of books to explore your spirituality. If you are interested in this offering, please sign up on our Bulletin Board. When there are enough people interested, Amanda Winkler (awinkler@syr.edu) will facilitate putting together a group.

Cakes for the Queen of Heaven is a joint offering of both the Adult Education Committee and the CNY chapter of CUUPS. This will be offered in the winter. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board if you are interested. Jody Brown (jfb523@gmail.com) is the contact person.

T’ai Chi Chih meets weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3PM with Ann Pia (695-6421). Contact Ann for more information.

UU Vegetarians celebrate this life choice over a vegetarian potluck meal and discussions. Watch our newsletter for dates and times. Julie Daniel (jdaniel4@twcnny.rr.com) is the contact person.

Twisted Sisters will be putting out a survey to the congregation to find the best time to meet. Please contact Andrea Wandersee (andreawandersee@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Evensong for Families will start in February and meet the second and fourth Sundays from noon to 2:30 for eight sessions. Joan Weiser (weiserjc@gmail.com) is the contact person.

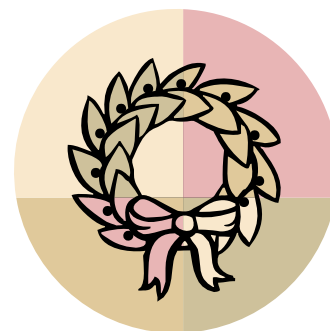
~Jody Brown

Interested in Helping with Welcome Wreath?

If you like coming up with ways to make May Memorial more welcoming to visitors, perhaps you'd like to help decorate the Welcome Wreath some month.

Some supplies (ribbons, flowers, other attachments) are already on hand and just need to be assembled, and suggestions for new presentations would be wonderful.

Contact Kristin Cleveland (idellaloo@yahoo.com or 491-8121) for information on how to help with the wreath.





Folkus Fall Schedule

Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen
• Friday 10/2 • May Memorial

Annie and the Hedonists
• Sat 10/10 • Westcott Comm. Ctr.

Rod MacDonald
• Friday 10/16 • May Memorial

Words & Music: Jason Vatter
• Thursday 10/22 • Jazz Central

John Gorka
• Friday 11/6 • May Memorial

Powell
• Friday 11/13 • Jazz Central

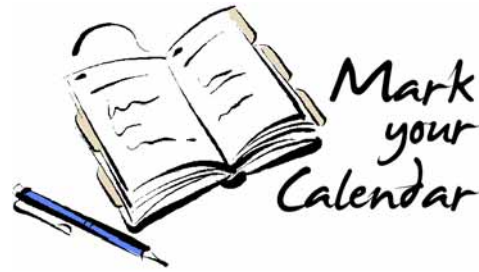
Hanna Richardson & Phil Flanigan
• Sat 11/14 • Westcott Comm. Ctr.

Brooks Williams
• Friday 11/20 • May Memorial

Chris Smither
• Friday 12/4 • May Memorial

Dan Duggan & Peggy Eyres and
Friends
• Sat 12/12 • Westcott Comm. Ctr.

To reserve tickets: Call 440-7444
or e-mail tickets@folkus.org.



Summer Sailing in Antarctic Ice Bergs

May Memorial member Beth Leonard has sailed around the world twice with her husband, Evans Starzinger. She is a well-known author and speaker and has presented at Mystic Seaport, the New Bedford Whaling Museum and the Peabody Essex Museum. On **November 8 at 7 pm**, Beth will give a slide show to benefit MMUUS. Join her for a voyage south of the Antarctic Convergence into the ice-strewn waters of South Georgia Island. Share with her the challenges of anchoring in storm-force winds

District Assembly to be Held in Syracuse this Spring

May Memorial will serve as host church on April 23-24 for the St. Lawrence District Assembly. We will need many hands to prepare for this event. Working at the District Assembly is a great way to meet fellow UUs and learn about the doings of the district. If you would like to get involved in some large or small way in this event, please contact Alexa Carter garlex@aol.com.

Calendar Continued from back page...

Saturday, October 17

7:00 pm Twisted Sister Pavilion

Sunday, October 18

10:30 am Service Sanctuary
 10:30 am Teenz Teen Room
 Following service Crop Walk Social Hall

Monday, October 19

7:00 pm Buildings & Grounds Committee Teen Room

Tuesday, October 20

10:00 am UU World Discussion Group Memorial Room
 3:00 pm Tai Chi Creekside
 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Social Hall
 7:00 pm Chautauqua Circle Memorial Room

Wednesday, October 21

6:30 pm Men's Fellowship-Potluck Social Hall & Kitchen
 7:00 pm Program Social Hall

Thursday, October 22

1:30 pm Bookenders Teen Room
 3:00 pm Tai Chi Creekside
 7:30 pm Choir Sanctuary

Friday, October 23

7:00 pm Jazz Pianist, Ms. Alison Margaret Sanctuary

Saturday, October 24

7:00 pm SAGE- Halloween Dance Social Hall, Kitchen

Sunday, October 25

10:30 am Service Sanctuary
 10:30 am Teenz Teen Room

Tuesday, October 27

3:00 pm Tai Chi Creekside
 5:30 pm Membership Memorial
 6:30 pm Writer's Teen Room

Thursday, October 29

3:00 pm Tai Chi Creekside
 7:30 pm Choir Sanctuary

Friday, October 30

50th U-U Birthday Celebration Dinner FUUS

Saturday, October 31

50th U-U Birthday Celebration Hotel Syracuse

Sunday, November 1

10:30 am Service Sanctuary
 10:30 am Teenz Teen Room
 12:15 pm Spanophiles Teen Room
 1:00 pm 50th U-U Birthday Celebration Social Hall
 Luncheon Wrap-up
 5:30 pm CUUPS Service Creekside Chapel

The View Cont from page 1....

Where does May Memorial fit in your plans and priorities? Will it be Sunday morning worship, or a family outing, or an afternoon lecture? Where do worship and religious education fit in your life?

Occasionally, someone who has come out on an especially snowy Sunday morning will say, "I came for you, Jean". I always feel honored and blessed by that remark. Who wouldn't? We come for one another. We live, as Hugh Hecllo put it, "an implicated life, always both inheriting and bequeathing." (Receiving and giving, savoring and saving...)

This fall, put us on your list of priorities.

~ Blessings, Jean

May Memorial

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TIME VALUE

Calendar

Thursday, October 1

3:00 pm	Tai Chi	Creekside
7:30 pm	Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, October 2

8:00 pm	Folkus Concert	Social Hall Memorial, Kitchen
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Saturday, October 3

7:00 pm	Adult Education Movie "The Barbarian Invasion"	Memorial Room
6:00 pm-midnight	Teen Overnight	Teen Room, SH, Kitchen

Sunday, October 4

12 midnight-8am	Teen Overnight	Teen Room, SH, Kitchen
10:30 am	Service	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Teenz	Teen Room
Noon	First Sunday Luncheon	Social Hall
Noon	UU 102	Memorial Room
12:15	Spanophiles	Teen Room

Tuesday, October 6

11 am	Worship Committee	Memorial Room
3:00 pm	Tai Chi	Creekside
7:00 pm	Social Justice Committee	Teen Room

Wednesday, October 7

Noon	Quilt Show Set-up	Social Hall
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Thursday, October 8

3:00 pm	Tai Chi	Creekside
7:30 pm	Choir	Sanctuary

Sunday, October 11

10:30 am	Service	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Teenz	Teen Room
Following Service	Reception for Karen Love	Social Hall

Tuesday, October 13

7:00 pm	Program Council	Memorial Room
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Thursday, October 15

3:00 pm	Tai Chi	Creekside
7:30 pm	Choir	Sanctuary