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We Nurture. We Learn. We Act.

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Sunday Morning

Service 11:00AM

Children's and Adult Classes 10:00AM

Game Night, 6:30PM, June 27!

Services

June 29: "Unitarian Universalism - Our Roots",
Pat Smith

July 6: "Independence", Rita Chamblin

Children's Religious Education

Picture Book World Religions

Intersections – Adult Religious Exploration

Summer series from the book "A Chosen Faith"

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Gay Hedges

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Services – Looking Ahead...

July 13: “Kitchell and Coyote”, Rita Chamblin and Sarah Mulkey

July 20: “A Kinship of Faith”, Rev. Jennifer Ryu via DVD



Adult Religious Exploration, where religion intersects culture, science, and politics –

Sunday Morning Intersections – Details...

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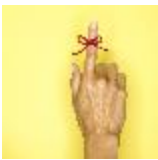
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July 20: Part 2 (Words and Deeds) Chapters 3/4, Kristina Mitchell / Laura Deurmyer



Mark Your Calendar!

June 27: Game Night, 6:30PM

July 6: Next newsletter deadline, 5 PM

July 8: Board of Trustees, 7 PM

July 20: Potluck after service

July 20: Study Group after Potluck

July 27: All Committees Meetings, Noon

September 6: South Plains Food Bank, 9-noon.

October 4: Workshops led by our Southern Region consultant, Natalie Briscoe

December 13: South Plains Food Bank, 9-noon.



Children’s Religious Education

By April Velasquez

RE Summer

Chalica Camp is scheduled for **Monday, July 28, 2014**. It will be held at the church. Time will be announced in the coming weeks. This will be a great way for the youth to bond and be creative as a whole. If you are interested in volunteering for this event please get in touch with April Velasquez for information. There is a signup sheet for the children and t-shirts on the RE bulletin board. The camp is of no cost to the children and we hope to have a great turn out. If you know of any child family or friend who would enjoy this opportunity I encourage you to sign them up. Please contact April Velasquez at 806.881.4539 or 1stuu.dre@gmail.com for information.

RE Social

This July the children will be invited and encouraged to participate in wUUnderful Wednesdays! We will meet every Wednesday in July at different locations to hang out with each other and have a wUUnderful time! Our first meeting will be **July 2 at 6:30pm at Maxey Park**. Maxey Park is east of Quaker Avenue, south of Covenant Women’s and Children’s Hospital. We will meet just off 24th Street to eat and play. "Picnic in the Park" will be our theme. Bring your family's favorite take out or home cooked food and come eat

at the park. I will provide lemonade and cookies. If you are unable to attend but your child can, please inform April Velasquez so that we can make arrangements.



First Unitarian Universalist Church of Lubbock needs a new roof!

By Richard Hopson, Board President

Repairs performed on the existing roof bought us a little time, however it is not doing the job anymore plus we have another area of leaks. The leak areas are the hall in the RE area and in the East part of the kitchen.

We must replace the roof! The replacement cost that seems the most practical now is about the same price that Murray Coulter was quoted about 2 years ago. American Roofing would be the contractor. It will cost \$20,000.

The community must decide how to raise the money to pay the cost of a new roof. We can pay it entirely out of existing funds, but it would take almost all of our non-assigned funds. Or we can take out a loan for the entire amount.

I suggest that we form a 5% Club. We ask for as many members that can and any combination of members pledge to contribute 5% of \$20,000 which is \$1,000 to the Roof Replacement Fund. When we have pledges that total \$10,000, we can use our reserves for the additional \$10,000. When we have the \$20,000, we can sign a contract. The roof cost estimate is good for 60 days.

We should replace the roof as soon as possible to stop building and equipment damage. I ask each member of the community to explore this and tell the various members of the Board.



2013-14 A Year to Build On

By Richard Hopson, President

This been a very productive year for the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Lubbock, Texas. "Why?" you ask.

- We Yarn Stormed a bell in front of a schoolhouse at the Ranching Heritage Museum in the cool of the fall.
- In the freshness of the spring we yarn stormed our church grounds.
- We performed "Plastic Spoon" surgery on pumpkins and unabashedly displayed them at the Pumpkin Trail at the Arboretum.
- We partied and bounced into the Halloween night (not too late).
- We made early breakfasts for the Ronald McDonald House.
- We did not ride our bikes to the Food Bank because we gave them to the Wheelock Whippets! No! We did not! We gave them to Wheelock Elementary School. Question! What Minnesota minor league baseball team is also called the "Whippets"? If you come forward with the answer you win a free basket! (or 2 or 3)!
- Music was in the air and everybody sang or tried to.
- The UU Ukulele Orchestra of West Texas was formed, and all you need is a very flowery shirt and a ukulele and a desire to participate in fun activity.
- Pot Lucks were skillet-licking good.
- The UUA Common Read "Behind the Kitchen Door" (after pot lucks) gave us new insight to problems in our greater community. Group study continues with a review of the recent Elders Retreat.
- Intersections is outgrowing the Abernethy Room with an average of 17 participants.
- Sunday Services continues on its path of excellence, highlighted by the Two Amigos service in April.
- And the average service attendance has been 37.
- Our wonderful RE Program is Running, Jumping, Crawling, Singing, Story Telling, and everything that you would want children to do.

The Board, all Committees, the DBLE Group, Staff, and all participants in the many activities say to the community, "Let us keep the Journey going for a great 2014-15 year!" Thank You!



UU consultant leads workshops here on October 4

By Richard Hopson

To make our children's religious education even better and to expand our leadership skills, we are hosting two workshops, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with UU Southern Region consultant Natalie Briscoe. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

Our new mission statement is "We nurture. We learn. We act." By coming together in a new environment, we will nurture each other. We will learn new things. Then we will act on what we learn.

We have invited West Texas UU congregations to join us. We can share and compare our current approaches.

We hope you will put this on your calendar and plan to attend. Active participation will be the cost of admission.



Buddhist Weekly Class Schedule

By Chondzin, Resident Buddhist Nun

Tuesdays –7:00PM – 8:30PM. Topics change.

Please see website.

Thursdays - noon time meditation at Hwy 108 near juncture of Quaker and 50th.

12:15 - 12:45. \$5

Thursdays 7:00PM – 8:30PM. Class is at Yoga Bean, 34th and Gary.

Sunday Mornings – Prayers for World Peace, 10:30-11:45, "inspiring Solutions for Difficult Times" - a series on this topic. Donation.

Sunday Afternoons - 4:00-5:00pm.

Weekday Mornings – Meditation and Buddhist Prayers, 7:30AM - 8:30AM

Location: Bodhichitta Kadampa Buddhist Center (except Thursdays) 6701 Aberdeen, Avenue, No. 4, one block SW of Slide and the Loop (behind Cardinals), right near Hobby Lobby.

Cost: \$10 per class (\$5 for students or seniors of limited income). Monthly Saturday courses are \$20.

Details at our beautiful website

meditationinlubbock.org



Interfaith Dialogue 2013 – 2014

Since February 1985, Lubbock Interfaith Dialogue has met for brown bag lunch at noon on the 4th or 5th Tuesday of each month (except for 3rd Tuesday in December) at St. John's United Methodist Church, 15th Street and University Avenue. Please join us as we find unity in the sharing of our diverse perspectives on many topics. For further information, contact Mary Vines, 799-2494.

July 22

The Quest for Green Religion

August 27

Early History of Islam and Writing of Quran





Needs and Gifts Exchange

Need something or want to give away something? Do you have something you think the church could use? Or do you need something that the church has but is not using? If so, contact the office. Let's take advantage of each other's generosity! Information will be posted on the bulletin board. Please bring your donations to the church office.



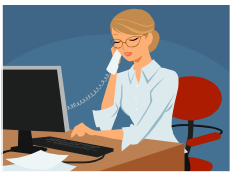
Ongoing Church Activities



Sunday Services Committee: *Now meets the fourth Sunday of the month following the service.*



Board Meeting: Meets the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00PM.



Church Office Hours: 1:00PM – 3:00PM,
Monday through Friday

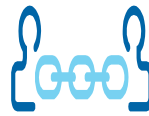


Social Action Committee: Fourth Sundays after church and the last Friday of each month at 6 PM.



Board Members

President	Richard Hopson
1 st Vice President	Gay Hedges
2 nd Vice President	Jamie Naquin
Secretary	Laura Deurmyer
Treasurer	Patsy Malin
Trustee I	Jennifer Mora
Trustee II	Linda McGann



Standing Committees/Chairs

Building	<i>Chairman - Open</i>
"Artist in Residence"	Linda Shough
Grounds	<i>Chairman - Open</i>
"Academic Advisor"	Murray Coulter
Children's RE	April Velasquez
Membership	Duane Christian
Potluck	<i>Open</i>
Recycling Team	Linda McGann, Wanda Clark
Social Action	Gay Hedges
Sunday Services	Rita Chamblin, Duane Christian, Barbara Holder Pat Smith
UU Tunes	Wanda Clark, Justin
Music Team	Deurmyer, Noel Ramirez, Ariel Purkeypille, Kristina Mitchell



Our Vision

Hey, you! What're you lookin' at?



Our Mission

We nurture. We learn. We act.



*Mistakes are a fact of life. It is
the response to error that
counts.*

—Nikki Giovanni