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SAVE THE DATE

ALL CONGREGATION ANNUAL MTG

BUUF, SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014, 5:30PM-8:30PM

The Annual Meeting is the time when we elect new members to the BUUF Board, as well as vote on the budget and other business items. All members and friends are welcome. Only members may vote.

Look for more information coming to your mailbox soon.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

#1 Silent Auction

The first 3 Sundays in May— May 4 to 18—in the South Wing Hall. Be sure to peruse each Sunday and Bid Often, Bid High and Out Bid your friends You never know what items will show up....

If you would like to donate a home made “treat”, just write it up and include a photo if possible. The high bidder and the cook will make a mutually agreeable date for delivery. (So far there is a decadent “Kahlua Chocolate Cheesecake”)

Donation forms can be found on the hospitality table, on the volunteer desk in the office and on line at www.boiseuuu.org/auction-donation.html

Be sure to fill one out for each item and include a value (or we will have to just guess...)

#2 “4 Shillings Short” coming!

Mark your calendars for Sunday July 27 from 6 to 8 pm. The folk duo—”4 Shillings Short” will bring their “Around the World in 30 Instruments” presentation to our courtyard. Anyone who was at their July 2010 show will attest at how wonderful their shows are. This is a family friendly presentation and the community is invited. More later.....

#3 The February 8, 2014 On Line, Live and Silent Auction with Dinner made about \$8,000. Thank you to all who volunteered, donated, attended and bid.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Robyn Broyles

Does anyone else feel that Time has a way of ducking out the door when you aren't looking at it, as if to egg you to play an unexpected game of hide-and-seek? Between announcing the members of our Ministerial Search Committee, taking the last steps to assess the results of the Annual Giving Drive, and planning for the 2014 Annual Meeting (May 18) – I feel Time has found a most excellent hiding spot.

To compensate, I thought I would share some poetry I found. Perhaps by taking a moment, I can woe Time back to me.... Enjoy the newsletter – it's full of important information that will help us keep track of the financial, emotional and spiritual lives we lead.

God's Wheel

God says to me with kind of a smile, "Hey, how would you like to be God for awhile And steer the world?" "Okay," says I, "I'll give it a try. Where do I set? How much do I get? What time is lunch? When can I quit?" "Gimme back that wheel," says God, "I don't think you're quite ready yet."

– Unknown

A Child's Prayer

God, Make my life a little light, Within the world to glow; A little flame that burneth bright,
God, make my life a little flower, That giveth joy to all, Content to bloom in native bower, Although the place be small.

God, make my life a little song, That comforteth the sad, That helpeth others to be strong, And Wherever I may go.

makes the singer glad.

- M. Betham - Edward

Poems thanks to: namastecafe.com/hope/poem.htm

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IN THE INTERIM

So this is what spring looks like in Boise. I like it.

Though my work as your interim is to stir things up, to challenge you to see yourselves honestly and clearly, to help you make changes and discover what is central to who you are as a congregation, I also do get to affirm you for all that you do well.

And you continue to impress me with how you rise to an occasion. The two main cases in point are the wonderful feeling in the sanctuary on Celebration Sunday and the wonderful Search Committee that you put in place. Both bode so well for your future.

The Search Committee ballot was so strong that any combination of folks on it would have made for a fabulous committee. That you had so many people who were willing to serve in this so-very-important capacity also speaks so well for you. The hardest part was that not everyone could serve. A committee of 14 would be unwieldy.

The first task of the Search Committee is to gather information – information from the congregation about the kind of minister you want to have and information about the church to share with prospective candidates. Some have been wondering where and when you might give feedback about some of the changes during this interim time. The Search Committee is one group to talk with. Part of the point of interim ministry is to create a contrast so you can put things into a new perspective.

You have done well. Let the work begin.

Celebration Sunday was such a high point as well. What a great Sunday, and what fabulous work done by the Stewardship Team! The point was to celebrate all that you have been and all you can be. To ask people to express their faith in the church and in the future by giving generously of themselves. So far pledging has increased more than 10 percent. If you have not yet pledged, I encourage you to give as generously as you can.

And finally, I encourage you to feel good about yourselves and the congregation.

You are kind, thoughtful, dedicated folk.

You have created something wonderful, something so-very-important by the simple and creative act of coming together and seeking truth and justice together.

I have so much faith and confidence in your future.

I get to tarry with you but a short while, and it's been a grand adventure so far.

Warm blessings upon you,
dana



Merry Month of May Family Festival – Saturday, May 17

RE Team

Join in with other friends and families of our Religious Exploration program for a spring fling festival of fun and merriment! On Saturday, May 17, from 3:00pm – 6:00pm, there will be marvelous opportunities to play and eat and participate in much joy. We'll have a Maypole, Musical Movement, and Marching for cupcakes. There will be Marvelous Munchies with Macaroni and cheese – made with Monterey Jack and Muenster, of course! Keep an eye out for more information on Facebook and the bulletin board in the north vestibule.

RE Game Day – May 25

Emmie Schlobohm, DRE, 658-1710,
dre@boiseuuu.org

The weather is beautiful! Our grounds are delightful! Let's go out and play! On May 25, your young people's Religious Exploration program would like to invite you to come out and play with us. During our two services, our young people will be out on the grounds for our traditional Game Day led by guides, advisers, and youth. After both services, everyone will be invited to join in the fun and play some games out in the fresh air!

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Spring is Sprung! The Grass is Risen! I wonder...

Emmie Schlobohm, Director of Religious Exploration for Children and Youth, 658-1710,
dre@boiseuuu.org

With all this gorgeous spring weather, my thoughts go to spending more time outdoors with friends and family soaking up the beautiful sunshine and breathing the clean air. It occurs to me that that is exactly what our Summer RE program is like for our children. Every Sunday, from mid-June to the beginning of September, they spend time together with their BUUF friends and family exploring the wonders of nature and the questions they have about their world, before their eyes, inside their heads, and under their feet. Our grounds are a magical place to learn and explore and we take full advantage of them during the cool summer mornings we have here in Boise. I invite you to join in on the wonders that are Summer RE at BUUF by bringing your children, volunteering to lead a Sunday lesson, and/or assisting with a class. To learn more about our upcoming summer program, keep an eye out for Facebook posts on our Religious Exploration at BUUF page, the BUUF Bulletin, and come talk with me. We can even take a walk together around our grounds. There are opportunities for folks of all ages to join in and I'd love to talk with you about them!

Child Dedication on Mother's Day

Emmie Schlobohm, DRE, 658-1710, dre@boiseuuu.org

Our children are an essential and life-affirming part of our congregation. Unitarian Universalists believe that each child brings new life and hope into the world and we, here at BUUF, include a special ceremony to dedicate ourselves to our children during a Sunday service. If you would like to have your child(ren) participate please note that May 11 (Mother's Day) is the next scheduled date. The Rev. Dana Worsnop and Emmie Schlobohm, our Director of Religious Exploration will be performing the dedication. For more information, or to indicate your interest, please contact Emmie at 658-1710.

... Where Children are Wise and Adults Can Play – Teachers needed for next year!

Emmie Schlobohm, DRE, 658-1710, dre@boiseuuu.org

Our young people are a miraculous bunch! They bring smiles, laughter, and joy to us all every week. If you haven't spent time in one of our Religious Exploration classrooms, you're truly missing out on a whole lot of fun, wonder and awe. Religious Exploration for children and youth is looking for teams of guides and advisers to lead and follow our youth through next year's explorations, discoveries and transformations. If you would like to join in on the phenomenon that is Religious Exploration, please contact Emmie Schlobohm, DRE, at 658-1710 to find out more about teaching in our classrooms - nursery through high school.



Ministerial Search Committee Formed!

Robyn Broyles

The BUUF Board is pleased to announce the members of the Ministerial Search Committee (MSC). This group of individuals have been elected by you, the congregation, and will be the representatives and contacts to help us take the next step towards finding our next settled minister. In the June, they will have their own section of the newsletter and information on how to reach them, so stay tuned.

Please thank them for their service when you see them.

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| Will Smith | Elton Hall |
| Lori Watsen | David Clopton |
| Patti Nakaoki | Linden Boice |
| Wanda Jennings | |

COMMITTEES

Financial Corner

David Woito

Welcome to the BUUF Financial Corner. The rate of collecting this year's pledges has fallen off slightly in February and March. We are hoping that those of you with outstanding balances will respond quickly to the March pledge notice. We are positioned to meet our budget as long as we can collect the rest of the pledges. Spending is in good shape compared to the budget.



Each month we would like to highlight an aspect of BUUF's budget and ongoing operating expenses. As you may know BUUF is not just a stand-alone entity in Garden City, Idaho. We are part of a strong coalition of UU congregations in both the Pacific Northwest District and with the UUA National organization. There is strength in being a part of these organizations and there are a lot of resources that we receive from these entities (such as helping us with finding our interim minister, helping now with the calling of a permanent minister, training and resources such as those our large delegation recently received in Spokane). There is also a cost to being affiliated with these great organizations. BUUF pays \$60 per member to the UUA and \$26 per member to the PNWD. Since we are still in "pledge season", that means if you are a single member pledge, the first \$86 of your pledge goes to these important organizations. If you are a pledging pair, then the first \$172 of your pledge goes to these organizations. The total of these dues for next year in the budget is \$21,500.

Remember, it is important for BUUF's daily operations that you make your pledge and honor your pledge. Thanks for your support.

Summer RE Coordinator Needed

Emmie Schlobohm, DRE, 658-1710,
dre@boiseuu.org

Summer brings a different look to Religious Exploration (RE) for children currently in preschool through sixth grade. Starting June 15, children in preschool through sixth grade will meet together and in small groups to explore the world around them. Summer RE always includes plenty of time outside taking full advantage of our beautiful grounds. The RE program is looking for an individual to coordinate this important program. The coordinator's primary responsibilities include scheduling and confirming volunteers, obtaining necessary class supplies and facilitating the in-class chalice lighting and opening ritual for each Sunday during the summer. If you are interested in learning more about this very part-time paid position, please contact Emmie Schlobohm, Director of Religious Exploration, at 658-1710 by May 18.



Fringe Topics Discussion: Extraterrestrial Life

Is there Intelligent Life out there? What do you think and why? What are the odds? What Type of Life do you think could be out there? What should we do if/when we meet them? Come discuss this with us! THURSDAY, May 15, 7 PM, South Wing

Intergenerational Board Game Night

Last time we had a giggling kid along with adults - its always fun to bring the kids! We played Apples to Apples and the ever-popular Sorry!

Have you heard of the game Pit? It is a wild and raucous and uproarious fun card game that we hope to play, plus you can bring your favorite games.

Friday May 2, 7 PM, South Wing, Belasz Room.

2nd Saturday Potluck – May 10 – 2nd Annual Goulash Cook-Off

Gwyn Reid

The Partner Church committee is pleased to sponsor the second annual Gulyás (pronounced Guyash) cook-off to help celebrate 21 years of partnership with the Unitarian congregation in Mészko, Transylvania.

Potluck and cook-off begin at 6 pm on Saturday, May 10. You can enter the gulyás cook-off or bring a potluck dish to share.

Gulyás (better known as goulash in English) originated in Hungary as a stew prepared by cattle herders. There are many different varieties of gulyás, but all contain paprika. Although gulyás is generally made with beef or other meat, we will have a special cook-off category for vegetarian goulash.

We'll have fabulous prizes for the cook-off winners and other fun (including a special version of hopscotch called CSIGA-UGRÓISKOLA – Snail Hopscotch).

JUSTICE OUTREACH

Women's and Children's Alliance chosen as our May Plate Partner

Emmie Schlobohm, Director of Religious Exploration for Children and Youth

For the last two years, our Religious Exploration program has been given the opportunity to choose BUUF's May Plate Partner and this year, our graduating senior high youth have chosen the Women's and Children's Alliance (WCA) here in Boise. During the month of May, 25% of the money collected during our Sunday offerings will be earmarked for the WCA. Their mission and services are based on three core values: safety, healing, and freedom for women and children in our community. Through these core values they provide security, hope, and empowerment.

Paint the Town

William Hall

The annual Paint the Town event is organized and sponsored by Neighborhood Housing Services. Volunteer teams paint the homes of the elderly or disabled people who cannot manage the painting on their own. If you would like to join the BUUF Paint the Town Team on June 7, to paint our assigned home please contact Bill Hall at 345-8222 or e-mail williambhall@cs.com. You can also Buy a Bucket of Paint for a donation of ten dollars.

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Mostly Reverent Conversation

Jeanette Ross

When we met for our monthly humanist meeting a week before Easter, we began with a question. What does 'reverence' mean to us? What do we revere? Two answers covered the range, from babies (particularly human ones, with all their unknowable potential) to the natural cosmos and its awesomeness. Unsurprisingly, the CGI (computer-generated imagery) trick of a space mobile, featured in the updated version of the television series, Cosmos, was mentioned with amused appreciation. In between, we considered a continuum of values from the sacred (First amendment rights and don't cut that redwood!) to the highly valued (Pope Francis, museums, libraries, any of various places of worship) to the useful, considering faults and disadvantages (cell phones) on to kitsch (what sits on the top of an unnamed piano) down to camp (Jeanette's entire wardrobe) and finally the mocked (what's casually referred to as 'plastic.') Swooshie sports branded products, selfies and celebrities sit somewhere between, place depending upon taste rather than reverence. One attendee, with firsthand knowledge of responses to hurricane Katrina and subsequent flooding of New Orleans, said regretfully that human rights we usually consider inviolable can be ignored and overridden in emergencies.

On that sobering note we agreed on a topic for our next gathering, We will each bring our favorite pagan object or story or.. whatever. Tarot, anyone?

May 18 at 11:15am, in the BUUF library. We'll see you there.

Want To Present a Sunday Worship Service?

Wanda Jennings

Do you have some ideas which fit BUUF's mission and goals and which you would like to share with the congregation? Could you create a presentation which will give the congregation a spiritual take-away within a 20 minute time limit? If you would like to submit a proposal for a Sunday Worship Service please pick up a green BUUF Sunday Worship Service Proposal Form in the rack as you enter the office and submit it to Wanda Jennings or Dana Worsnop.

SAGE in MAY

Tom von Alten

Join the BUUF Sages this month for friendly banter over a no-host breakfast (if you like), at the Kopper Kitchen (2661 Airport Way), 9:30 am, on the second and fourth Thursdays. Newcomers are welcome! On May 8, Dr. Chuck Lauterbach continues his tour of the theater with his take on Eugene Gladstone O'Neill, and on May 22, Zoe Ann Olson-Geyer will be our guest speaker, talking about the Intermountain Fair Housing Council.

Contact Tom von Alten at 378-1217 or tva@fortboise.org for more information, directions, or if you'd like to be added to our reminder list.

The Other Book Club

Erin Logan

Come join us for lively discussion on books and other topics. We meet on the second Sunday of the month from 7 to 8:30 PM.

May 4, we are meeting one week early. We will be discussing *The Devil and Miss Prym* by Paul Coelho. We will meet at Patti Raino's home, 4905 W. Outlook Ave., Boise, 336-2280

June 8, we will be discussing *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver. We will meet at the home of Erin Logan, 2116 N. 17th St., Boise. 208.336.4960

July 13, we will be discussing *A tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki. We will meet at the home of Jane Breckenridge.

If you'd like to receive our emails, let me know at erins4960@msn.com.

Travel Bugs - Camino de Santiago

Patty Nakaoki

Pilgrims have been traversing 500 miles across northern Spain on foot since the middle ages. Sally Suter and Jeanie Scepka set off together from St. Jean Pie dePort in France, the official start of the Camino Francis. In the days that followed, they would each have their own adventures with their paths merging and separating and merging again in Santiago. Sally and Jeanie will share their experiences and how the Camino challenged them, served them, took care of them and answered their spiritual longings in ways they never expected. Friday, May 16, at 6:30pm in the Channing room. Note this is 30 minutes earlier than usual!! Everyone welcome.

The Astonishing Light of Warren Bean

Warren Bean loves BUUF!

He shows his love in the attention he gives.

He's been BUUF's caretaker or sexton for many years,

Grateful that he doesn't have to dig graves or ring bells

As did church sextons of old!

Instead he only has to do what 200 people tell him to do!

For we are all his bosses!

Warren's care of BUUF reflects his love.

He's a fixer, arranger, cleaner, placer, mover and shaker.

He takes care of EVERYTHING!

Many hours of Warren's life are spent at BUUF.

He says that he gets his workout at BUUF,

So he saves the cost of a gym membership!

He lovingly maintains BUUF, Giving careful attention to each and every detail.

He recycles and reuses, Helping to keep BUUF a GREEN Sanctuary.

He moves the chairs and tables too many times to count,

Rearranging things for the convenience of us all.

He's the behind the scenes man who keeps BUUF running so smoothly.

Our deep gratitude to Warren Bean!

Our eyes sing with excitement as they see his Divine Worth!

Happy 85th Birthday, Warren!

Love ya, Wanda Jennings, April 2014

History Keepers on Mothers' Day

Janelle Wintersteen



Exploring Pagan/Nature Spirituality

Fire and Flowers: Belated Beltane and MayDay, Floralia and the Merrie Month of May,

the Goddesses Maia and Flora, King and queen of the May. The Green Man. We hope to do a MayPole, whether small or large! Wear flowered clothing and/or wreaths of ribbons and flowers. men wear wreaths of leaves.

Friday May 9, 7 PM, South Wing
(For information email debbiespen@yahoo.com with Pagan in the subject line.)

UUJME

UUJME will NOT meet in May due to Memorial Day Weekend. The next meeting of Unitarian Universalists for Justice in the Middle East will be Sat. June 28.

On Mother's Day, we celebrate by having pansies available for the children to give their mothers. This not a ritual adopted from the New England churches or anywhere else. This is an Idaho ritual, developed by Ethel Van Hook Hopper to honor her own mother, Jenny Van Hook. The Van Hook's moved to Boise in 1905 from Bloomington, Indiana, during the three year period when Boise Unitarian church was served by a charismatic minister, John Murray. The Van Hook's had been active members of the Bloomington Unitarian church. When they arrived in Idaho, Ethel was still in high school, and her older sister, Nelly, who arrived afterwards, was finishing a teacher training course. Ethel started the giving of pansies 45 years later when the Unitarian church, having failed after a promising start, was reorganized as Fellowship. She and her sister had maintained their identity as Unitarians during the decades that there was no Unitarian presence in Idaho. When the Boise Fellowship began to attract families with children they built a Religious Education program. It was her mother, who had died about 1911, whom Ethel wanted the church members to remember. It was Jenny van Hook's influence who had kept hers and Nell's vision of Unitarianism alive and now that a church had actually happened again, Ethel wanted to do something in memory of Jenny Van Hook. Those were the days in Boise when someone like Ethel could take over Mother's day. She bought the pansies from Edwards Nursery, organized the way the children would give them first to their mothers and then gift all the women in the congregation. Each year she read her poem about Jenny's appreciation for the "face" of the pansy flower.

Quest Update

Sarah M Bratley

We've reached the half-way point in Quest. Behind is most of the formation and foundational learning. Familiar friends, we gathered at the Nazarene Retreat Center on a sunny, spring weekend in April to celebrate embracing self-acceptance, forgiveness, and compassion. We started by focusing on ourselves and learning to accept a little selfishness in our lives. Slowly, we expanded our vision to include larger global issues.

Retreats hold a familiar flow for us now. Starting with large group welcoming ceremony Friday before dinner, it ebbs in and out of large and small group sessions, private time alone, good food, laughter, silence, and tears. For me, that weekend especially was a time of love, acceptance, and companionship.

Healing the soul is hard work. Initially, my application for Quest said that I wanted to take this journey for my son – so that I could help him find his way in the search for a spiritual connection and practice – but the reality is that it was all about me. I knew life had left me with some deep wounds in my soul, and I needed help to learn how to heal and reconnect. That's what I get from Quest. Not a group therapy session, it's about creating a safe, caring environment for yourself and those around you to explore what needs to be explored –out loud or in silence. Then, someone says something or gives you a look... and you know that you're not alone.

My Experience With Quest

Lynne Tolk

About two years ago I was asked to join a committee, which was to have a real impact on my life. We gathered at Elizabeth Greene's home to listen to Jackie Groves describe the Quest program and what would be our part in a three-year commitment. This group of people became a community of mutual support as we each recommitted to and pursued our own spiritual paths.

The committee role I chose involved recruiting Spiritual Companions, those who would walk the path with each of the participants, listening, encouraging and reflecting back that person's growth going through Quest. Being a companion myself is proving to be both fun and rewarding.

At the time, my own spiritual life was languishing, after grieving the deaths of each of my parents and then having surgery. I healed physically and emotionally, but spiritual practice had become occasional at best. Our group begins every meeting with meditation, a reading, and deep sharing. Jackie also asked us to choose one of the three practices offered by Quest (Mindfulness Meditation, Centering Prayer, or Yoga) and commit to doing it regularly in support of those who would be taking Quest.

I no longer felt connected to my Buddhist practice, so I decided to try Centering Prayer to see if it would fill my need for something more devotional. I now have a solid daily practice, which helps me learn about myself and grow. My relationships have improved and life is definitely easier!

Join the BUUF Bulletin!

The BUUF-Bulletin is an email-based tool (hosted on Google Groups) to help us communicate happenings at church and around town. You can share announcements about upcoming activities, Religious Exploration classes, and community members' special needs requests. Church staff will monitor the group, with guidelines in place to keep it running effectively, and to encourage use by all members and friends of BUUF. Think of it as an informational 'tweet' to let folks know the needs and activities of our community.

Let folks know about peace rallies, hunger task force activities, chalice group activities, yard parties; the BUUF Bulletin is a tool YOU can use to let all folks know what's going on in YOUR circle and to invite others into it.

To join, please send a subscription request to Nancy Harms at nancy@boiseuu.org.

We ask that subscribers read the guidelines and respect them (found at boiseuu.org/bulletin.html#etiquette). While there will be a learning curve to use it, the suggestions for etiquette are intended to create a safe, simple and friendly environment.

Happy Birthday, Nancy Harms!

Happy Birthday, Nan,
You know I'm a loyal fan!
You've such a kind heart,
You play a great part
In keeping BUUF going
In the background, it's showing!
You're a hero to me,
Your heart holds the key,
Your compassion is great,
Your love is first rate!
You've got a plan,
If anyone can, Nan can!
I'm glad you're my friend,
The poem's at its end,
Happy, Happy Birthday, Nan!
Love ya, Wanda, April 11, 2014

THANK YOU...

On behalf of BUUF, the Stewardship Team wishes to thank the following people for making a pledge of commitment during the Annual Giving Drive. Pledge cards received as of April 17, 2014.

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| Sandy & John Cruise | Bob Huntley | Diane & Donald | |

BUUF Classified - Help Wanted

Opportunities to participate in community!

Hospitality- contact Mitchel at mitchel.bethel@gmail.com or Janette at janettey99@gmail.com

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| How would you like to make Coffee and tea for 1st service? Only <i>30 minutes once a month</i> | Do you like to feed others? Bring 2 lbs of cookies/veg/cheese/crackers <i>once a month</i> for 1st service. | Nutritional nurturing: bring 2 lbs of cookies/veg/cheese/crackers <i>once a month</i> 2nd service | Calling all neat freaks! We need help cleaning up after 2nd service <i>once a month</i> |
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Festivities- contact Karen at 853-3865 or Wanda at 362-7563

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| Come early assist set up for May 10 potluck then be sure to stay! <i>1 hr.</i> | Can you stay to assist with take down and clean up May 10? <i>60 min</i> | | |
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Worship- sign up on form on coffee table

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| Read at Sunday Service | Greet or Usher at a Sunday Service | Worship committee member- 6 hrs monthly | Chalice lighters |
| Help set up before Sunday first service | Help take down after Sunday 2nd service | | |

Welcoming Committee- contact Tony Zornik at 866-2116, Jay W at 871-3765 or Leslie M at 761-7187

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| Class facilitators to lead "UU for Newcomers" class. Seeking to create a group of facilitators who can rotate leading. It is easy and fun!! | Bring your smile and become a Welcomer to staff the welcome carts before first service <i>once a month</i> | Be the first to say HI! We need Welcomers to staff the welcome carts before second service <i>once a month</i> | New program- Looking for 8-10 people to start a person to person ministry program that will help newcomers connect to BUUF. |
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Fellowship Connections- contact Dave at dave.woito@hp.com

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| Fellowship Connections is still looking for people! Please offer to join the team! | Would you like to be part of the new Fellowship Connections Team??? We need you on the committee or as helpers | | FCT is gathering information, can you help? We need people to meet with 5 committees in Sept.- <i>5 hours total</i> |
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External Opportunities – Wow- look how you can be involved out in the Community!!

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| Interfaith homeless Shelter- volunteers needed from <i>5:30-9:30 pm once each 6 weeks on Sunday.</i> Contact Rick at 794-2505 rbgroff@cableone.net | EBT table at the Boise Farmers Market- <i>2 hour shift</i> 9-11 or 11-1 each Saturday Apr 1 - Dec.. Contact Patty at 409-0807 pjnakaoki@hotmail.com | EBT table at Capital City Public Market- <i>2 hours shift</i> 9-11 or 11-1 each Saturday Apr-Dec. contact Gary at glwyke@cableone.net | Paint the Town is JUNE 7. Please express your interest at: WilliamBhall@cs.com |
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***Shaded sections are urgent this month**

***Be sure to contact the coordinators to let them know**

you can help! * Time commitment is in italics



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COMING UP!

BUUF ANNUAL MEETING -- SAVE THE DATE

The BUUF Annual meeting is scheduled for May 18. Mark your calendars now. More information is on the **front page**.

APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Help us to honor all who have given so much to BUUF. Many of our long-time volunteers are "retiring." More information can be found on the **back of the calendar**.

MINISTERIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE FORMED!

The next step in our search for a new minister has been achieved! The Committee has been chosen by the congregation and now it's time to begin their work. Find out who's on the committee on **page 5**.

NEXT Newsletter Deadline -- TUESDAY, May 20, 2014 at NOON

SUNDAYS

May 4, 9:30 & 11:15am

Senior High Bridging, BUUF high school seniors

Come get an infusion of hope for the future! Our Bridging Ceremony is a Sunday where we hear words of wisdom from our graduating high school seniors. Experience our next crop of community leaders and rejoice! Come help our graduating youth bridge to young adulthood and celebrate! BUUF Choir, Music. Rev. Dana and Emmie Schlobohm, Director of Religious Exploration, Celebrants. Nancy Harms; Service Coordinator.

May 11 –9:30 & 11:15am

Many Mothers, Rev. Dana Worsnop

We all have had many people – women and men – who have mothered us through our lives. We have all been mothers, whether we have children in our lives or not. On this Mother's Day, may we honor all our mothers. Nancy Harms, celebrant, David Scott; Service Coordinator

May 18 –9:30 & 11:15am

Why I Cannot Give Up on God (Even Though I've Tried), Rev. Dana Worsnop

Often when we speak of God, we do it in the negative, speaking of the God we don't believe in – the bearded grandfather in the sky, the smiting and vengeful omniscient presence that alternately judges us and answers prayers. Yet is

there another way to positively name the sense of transcendence and connection that feels like it lies beyond us? Nancy Harms, Celebrant. Patricia Heeb, Service Coordinator

May 25 –9:30 & 11:15am

Our American Roots, Rev. Dana Worsnop

On this Memorial Day Weekend, we will consider the deep connections of our religious heritage to the founding values as a nation. And we will consider how those values might call us to respond to those who have fallen in military service. Matthew Sabin, Celebrant; Teresa Wood, Service Coordinator

June 1 –9:30 & 11:15am

The Sacred Art of Appreciation, Debra Smith

This is Appreciation Sunday. How does an institution such as a church go about showing appreciation? Well, there is on the internet, a handy appreciation calculator. Alas, it is about calculating projected home values. I checked. Today, calculator or no, we will formally appreciate the service of a number of stalwart members who have decided it's time to step aside to make room for a new generation of volunteers. And we will reflect on how appreciation is a sacred practice that enriches all. Join us after the second service for refreshments, and a joyful honoring ceremony in the Greene Grove. Patricia Heeb, Celebrant. Wanda Jennings, service coordinator

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Appreciation Sunday Celebration!

Sunday, June 1, 12:30pm in the GreeneGrove

Debra Smith

Following the worship service, "The Sacred Art of Appreciation," come join us to celebrate long-serving congregants as they step down from positions of leadership and service. After the second service, we will adjourn to the GreeneGrove, and share refreshments, music, stories, and a brief ceremony to honor and appreciate those who have served us so long and so well. This year we will be acknowledging the service of the following looooong-serving volunteers:

Mary and Alan Schwartzman, Jolene and Patrick Schow, Barbara Alexander, and Coston Frederick, all retiring (or having retired) from leadership and/or service on the Landscaping Committee.

Warren Bean, retiring from his long-serving position as Building Steward.

Jane Breckenridge, stepping back after having orchestrated a comprehensive giving policy, among many other services.

Mary Osterman, having retired from the Congregational Care Team, among many services.

Elaine Durbin, having stepped down from the Interim Ministry Transition Team, and years and years and years of service.

Charlotte Thompkins, who served a chair of the Music Committee, and coordinated and scheduled all the music for more years than there are keys on the piano.

Besse LaBudde, who served for years in social justice, as well as having been the coordinator for our ministry with Whittier Elementary.

Dorothy and Chuck Hansen, long-time generous members of the congregation, who donated the funds for purchasing the so important hearing assistance system. **Come, let us honor them joyfully!**

Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

May 2014 Events are at BUUF unless noted

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 01 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 6:30pm» Library Committee Mtg | 02 7pm» Board Game Night | 03 10am» Bridging Rehearsal |
| 04 9:30am» Senior High Bridging 11am» Silent Auction 11:15am» Senior High Bridging | 05 4:30pm» Partner Church Comm Mtg 5:30pm» Interiors Comm Mtg 6pm» Meditation Group 6:30pm» Hunger Task Force 7pm» Monday Chalice Cir | 06 6:30pm» BEC Class 7pm» Men's Chalice Circle | 07 1pm» Wednesday Chalice Cir 3:15pm» Quest Facilitators Mtg 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 6:30pm» PMC Monthly Meeting 7:15pm» Choir Rehearsal | 08 9:30am» Senior Sages (Kopper Kitchen) 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 6:30pm» Board Mtg 7pm» Interfaith Healing Our Future 7pm» Worship Services Comm Mtg | 09 7pm» Pagan Chalice Cir | 10 9:30am» Congregational Care Team 4pm» Partner Church Festivities 6pm» Potluck-Goulash Cookoff |
| 11 9:30am» MANY MOTHERS 11am» Silent Auction 11:15am» MANY MOTHERS 1pm» Music Comm Mtg 3:15pm» Quest Ministry Team Mtg | 12 6pm» Meditation Group 6pm» Quest Group Integration | 13 6:30pm» BEC Class 6:30pm» Finance Comm Mtg | 14 3:15pm» Quest Facilitators Mtg 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 6:30pm» RE Team Mtg 7pm» Asatru Lore Study Group 7pm» TransForm ID 7:15pm» Choir Rehearsal | 15 10:30am» History Keepers 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 6:30pm» BUUF Board Mtg 7pm» Fringe topics Discussion Grp 7pm» Women on the Verge II | 16 3pm» Communi-Tea 7pm» Travel Group | 17 9am» Landscape Work Party 2:30pm» Merry month of May festival |
| 18 9:30am» WHY I CANNOT GIVE UP ON GOD 11am» Silent Auction 11:15am» WHY I CANNOT GIVE UP ON GOD 11:15am» hUUnanists 5pm» All Congregation Annual Potluck 6pm» All Congregation Annual Mtg | 19 1pm» Bridge Event Center Committee 6pm» Meditation Group 7pm» Monday Chalice Cir 7pm» Quest Spiritual Companions | 20 12pm» BUUF News deadline 6:30pm» BEC Class 7pm» Men's Chalice Circle | 21 1pm» Wednesday Chalice Cir 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 7:15pm» Choir Rehearsal | 22 9:30am» Senior Sages (Kopper Kitchen) 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 5:30pm» Personnel Comm Mtg | 23 | 24 7pm» UUs for Justice in the Middle East |
| 25 9:30am» OUR AMERICAN ROOTS 11:15am» OUR AMERICAN ROOTS 2pm» IONS | 26 6pm» Meditation Group 7pm» Adult RE cmte | 27 6:30pm» BEC Class | 28 9:30am» Newsletter assembly 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group 7pm» Asatru Lore Study Group 7pm» TransForm ID 7:15pm» Choir Rehearsal | 29 5:30pm» Gaming Affinity Group | 30 5pm» BEC Rehearsal | 31 10am» BEC Event |