

Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship



BUUF News

October 1, 2015

Happening in October...



Vote for Plate Partners

Sunday, October 4, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

[The complete calendar available here.](#)

Sunday

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Giving Life the Shape of Justice, Rev. Sara LaWall

The first Sunday of each month will be a Justice Sunday. Worship and Religious Exploration will focus on the Justice issue highlighted in the monthly Plate Partner. This month we'll highlight how we pay it forward both within the congregation and out in the wider world. Our October Plate Partner is this congregation's Pay It Forward Fund (see details below).

Lessie Brown, Carrie Bastian, Mike Lemieux, Music. Patricia Heeb, Celebrant

Meet Rev. Sara

Community Office Hours with Rev. Sara

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 1pm - 3pm

Sara will be holding open office hours at local coffee/tea spots around town. Give yourself a #BUUFbreak and stop by to say hello and have a chat. Sara will post her location on Facebook and twitter each week. No RSVP needed, stop in whenever you are able.

Oct. 7th Rembrants Coffee House (Eagle)

93 S. Eagle Rd. ([Link to Map](#))

Oct. 21st Cloud Nine Nanopub, 1750 W State St.

([Link to Map](#))

Religious Exploration

for Children & Youth



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SUNDAYS

October 4, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Giving Life the Shape of Justice

Rev. Sara LaWall

Lessie Brown, Carrie Bastian, Music
Patricia Heeb, Celebrant

October 11, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Your Liberating Ministry:

Toward a Shared Vision

Rev. Sara LaWall

BUUF Choir, Music.
Debra Smith, Celebrant

October 18, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

We Were Boston Bound

Boston Bounders

Rev. Sara Celebrant

October 25, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

*Stories From the Way: How a 500 Mile
Pilgrimage Across Spain Can Change*



Stand up and be counted!

RE registrations are hot off the press and ready to be filled out!

Have you seen the bright green RE registration forms? It's fall and that means it's time to fill out your annual registration for your children in RE. This most important form is a way for you to let us know more about your child(ren) so that we can make their RE experience the best it can be. We also need your most current contact info so that we can keep you in the loop for all things RE and beyond here at BUUF. Now's the time to fill out an RE Registration form and return one form per family, including nursery-aged children. Forms are available in the BUUF information rack in the north vestibule, in the classrooms or on the BUUF website. Thank you for your quick response. We are aware that every family has different financial circumstances so our registration fees are \$0-\$30 per child with a \$75 maximum per family. Registration allows us to contact your family about events at BUUF, special classroom activities and helps us to get to know your children better.

We want to know
all about you



Register in RE



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Religious Exploration DRE Column

Come Build a Land

Emmie Schlobohm, Director of Religious Exploration

One of my favorite hymns is We'll Build a Land. The lyrics call us to work together to build a land "where justice shall roll down like water and peace like an ever-flowing stream". Justice

the Stories We Tell Ourselves
Carrie Bastian & David Scott
Wanda Jennings, Celebrant

BUUF Happenings This Month

Sages Meet and Greet

Join the BUUF Sages and our new minister for a friendly chance to get to know one another a little better, over a no-host breakfast at the Kopper Kitchen, 2661 Airport Way. Newcomers are always welcome!

We meet Thursday, Oct. 8, at 9:30 am. The group started meeting 30-some years ago; bring an "old times" story if you have one.

Contact Tom von Alten at 208 378-1217 or tva@fortboise.org for more information or to be added to our reminder e-list.

Trek Talk Rescheduled, Oct. 2!

Debbie Espen

Discussion of UFOs And Time Travel at Trek Talk, after viewing the beautifully remastered Original Star Trek episode, Tomorrow is Yesterday on a big screen, Friday, **Oct 2**, 7 p.m. Channing Room, BUUF

Popcorn provided Free. All ages welcome!

Pagan/Nature Covenant Grp

Exploring Pagan/Nature Spirituality will meet Friday Oct 9, 7 p.m. in the BUUF library, South Wing. Esther Kleinkauf will be teaching Cord Magic. The curious are welcome! Coffee & Tea provided. Bring Potluck/Snacks.

Palestinian Lives Matter

Debbie Espen


The Boise chapter of UUJME (UUs for Justice in the Middle East) is up & running. The next event will be Thursday, Oct 22 at 7 p.m. when we will show a movie related to the topic. Stay tuned for upcoming information! (Note: new day)


work is important to us as Unitarian Universalists. I know that Paul and I found BUUF because we were looking for a community that we could work with to make a difference in the world. The sense of a spiritual home and beloved community came later after we started attending most every Sunday. We brought our boys here so that they could develop a sense of shared purpose and know that they were a part of a larger movement that was doing justice work in our Boise community and out in the larger world.


Our second UU Principle states "...we affirm and promote justice, equity and compassion in human relations". How do we as UUs live our principles? We come to church and put extra money in the collection plates for our monthly plate partner. We join in on justice movements on social media sites, and we go to the capitol steps to stand in solidarity to promote equity and compassion for marginalized populations. These are all good work of the heart and we need to keep it up. And we can do more!

How can families participate in deeper justice work on a regular basis during the rest of the week? How can we raise our children to feel that participation in this justice work is a normal part of everyday life and something we just do like going to the grocery store or playing at the local park? I'm sure that you have ideas and answers to these questions that your family does on a regular basis. I would love to have you share them on our Facebook page that is specifically for Religious Exploration here at BUUF. Shared ideas and community notifications can be a powerful tool, not only to help a worthy cause, but also to build a community that does this work together. You can find us at <https://www.facebook.com/buufre>


Other opportunities to join in are happening this Sunday at BUUF and beyond...

 Children will have the chance to vote for their favorite plate partners with their families after each service. Look for their "bundle of beans" that they will get at RE at the end of class. You can find a list of our plate partner nominees on our website <http://boiseuu.org/SocialJustice.html#nextpp>

 On the first Sunday of every month, October through May, the sermon and the RE classes will be focused on the goals that our monthly plate partner for that month is working toward. First Sundays will be Justice Sundays in the sanctuary and the RE classrooms.

 Justice Sundays in RE will center on that goal with the idea of building partnerships with the organization and creating/inventing ways to make a difference with the organization for that month and beyond. Our elementary classroom will be set-up as a Makerspace.

Check out this website to find out more about this exciting movement within our denomination. <http://callandresponse.blogs.uua.org/makerspace-a-new-way-in-religious-education/>

 The RE community will be posting ways to tie-in with our monthly plate partners and others as a family, as a congregation, and in RE.

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 .

We will be choosing more books to read on Oct. 11th. Submit your ideas by email or bring them to our next gathering.

Oct. 11th we will be reading The Signature of All Things by Elizabeth Gilbert. We will meet at the home of Kathy McGown and Eric Wallace, 3496 Holl Dr., Eagle, ID 939-7215.

Nov. 8th we will be reading The Pearl That Broke Its Shell by Nadia Hashimi. We will meet at the home of Erin Logan, 2116 N. 17th, Boise 83702 336-4960.

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Submission Calendar

The BUUF News will be published on the Thursdays following the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month. All deadlines are at NOON on the date listed. Submissions received after NOON will be held over until the next issue.

DEADLINE/PUBLISHED

October 12/ October 15

October 26 / October 29

Submission Requirements:

<http://boiseuu.org/submissions.html>

This is just the next step in our journey together as we build a land where justice rolls and peace flows. May it be so!

Social Justice Outreach

Plate Partner for October

The Plate Partner for September is BUUF's own "Pay It Forward Fund."

JUST PIFF IT - OR IT'S TIME TO TAKE CARE OF OUR OWN

Eight years ago we created the Rev. Elizabeth Greene Pay It Forward Fund to address a need among our community for short term emergency monetary assistance. That need, unfortunately, is as prevalent now as it was then. In the last year we have helped members and friends stay in their homes, pay for groceries, utilities, medical expenses, and other basic needs of living. Each year in October the Congregational Care Team (CCT) asks that this community put a little something extra in our collection baskets for this fund

25% of our October offertory collection will go to this fund. If you would like to make an additional contribution, please indicate that on the memo line of your check, or mark a pew envelope to indicate "Social Justice." And, as always, thank you for your generosity in supporting our greater community.

Your Chance to Vote

Vote for Our Next Round of Plate Partners!

We have 23 amazing nominations for this next year of Plate Partners (organizations BUUF supports by giving away a percentage of our monthly offering). Voting will continue this Sunday after each service at the table near the front of the hall. Each voter gets 9 beans to choose his/her favorite projects by placing the beans in the corresponding container. Children and youth are invited to vote with their families and will be given their own bag of beans during their Religious Exploration class time. You may use all nine for one project or spread them out to vote for multiple projects. The choice is yours, but you only get nine. The nine projects with the most beans will become our plate partners for November 2015 - September 2016. Three projects are ones we've committed to supporting each year. They include: The congregations' Pay It Forward Fund, The Meszko Partner Church Scholarship Fund, and Habitat for Humanity.

2015-2016 Nominees

1. Feed the Gap - extending free lunch & breakfast to public school children who are in need but do not qualify for program
2. Boise Gay Men's Choir
3. Speak Your Silence - Childhood Sexual Abuse Awareness and Advocacy
4. Extra Life Charity benefiting Children's Miracle Network & St. Luke's Hospital
5. American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Idaho
6. Boise Autism Moms
7. Interfaith Sanctuary - continuing a 10 year partnership with BUUF
8. Gorongoza Park via Zoo Boise
9. TransForm Idaho
10. Women's & Children's Alliance - Domestic violence shelter, awareness, &

Submit ONLY newsletter articles to:
newsletter@boiseuu.org

Community Rewards

Support BUUF While You Shop!

40 households have signed up who shop at Fred Meyer. In quarter 2, between 4/01/2015 and 6/30/2015 BUUF received \$110.90 total donation. Visit their website at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards to sign up. Thank you for your continued support of BUUF.

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Keep on Singing!

Bring Your Voice, All are Welcome

All returning, new and interested choir members are invited to join the choir each Wednesday. Rehearsals are on a weekly basis, Wednesday evenings from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. With advance notice, child care can be made available. Questions? Please email our director, Carrie Bastian: cariesu@yahoo.com

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Friendship Dinners

Have You been to a Friendship Dinner Yet?

These Friendship Dinners in a home provide one of the most



enjoyable and important aspects of BUUF - getting together with like-minded people in a social setting and getting to know each other better - especially new folks.

The Sign-up Form is on the hospitality table on the north side of the Sanctuary. The more folks we have, the more fun! Join us. We need hosts. If you are able to host, contact Nancy Harms 658-1710, please say how many you can seat, besides yourself. Are you curious about BUUF and would like to get to know us a little better? Sign up to attend a dinner.

advocacy

11. Project Linus - provide handmade quilts to children in need
12. Idaho Botanical Gardens
13. Idaho Center for Fiscal Policy - Statewide Education Funding Analysis & Advocacy
14. Idaho Head Start - Early Childhood Education
15. BUUF Youth Microlending Fund (using Kiva)
16. Farmers' Mkt Mobile Market - serving low income communities
17. Suicide Prevention Action Network (SPAN)
18. Best Friend Rodent Rescue
19. Winter Wildland Alliance Snow School - environmental education for children
20. Planned Parenthood of Idaho
21. Learning Lab at Garden City Library - literacy building and other life skills for adults and children
22. United Students Against Sweatshops - BSU student group advocating ethically manufactured garments sold at BSU
23. Idaho Federation of Families - children's mental health advocacy & awareness

Fellowship Family Fun Nights

Fellowship Fun Nights Begin Again

Festivities Committee is sponsoring Fellowship Fun Nights with potlucks on second Saturdays beginning October 10th. This will have a Harvest Theme of All Things Pumpkins. Think of recipes for entrees, side dishes or desserts with pumpkins or squash for your potluck dish.

If you have pumpkins, bring them for pumpkin carving and painting.

We will be welcoming Rev. Sara LaWall and her husband Michael Alvarado and sons William and Gavin to Boise and Idaho. We encourage everyone to write a note to the family to tell them of places and things that you enjoy in Boise and Idaho.

Come in costume if you'd like. These Fellowship Fun Nights are a great way to get to know other BUUFers. We'll have prizes for delicious food dishes, best pumpkin decorations and best costumes.

In order to address the diversity of dietary needs, think about bringing a vegetarian or vegan dish and labeling it as such. Bring a dish to share and your own utensils and plates.

Contact Wanda Jennings @ 362-7563 or desertfox4@cableone.net.

We Walk Because They Walk

Crop Walk

Please join us for a beautiful fall walk in support of Crop Walk On Sunday, October 18th at 2:00 at Julia Davis Park to help stop hunger both locally and around the world with money

The dinners are potluck, the host will call you to discuss what to bring. The next dinners will be Friday or Saturday, October 23 or 24.

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Chalice Circles Forming

Sign up Sunday

Chalice Circles are forming mid-October. These circles of 8 - 10 participants meet for 6 - 8 sessions, generally every other week to talk about interesting topics that will stimulate your thinking and beliefs. The curriculum provides provocative questions and readings. The circles are open to everyone and child care can be arranged.



We have circles still open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday nights and Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

If you have questions about participating in a chalice circle please contact Leslie Miller gypsycat1353@yahoo.com. Signups sheets are on the Hospitality table in the Sanctuary.

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Mindful Meditation

Join Us!

Monday evenings, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
North Wing, Fahs Room

"We spend so much of our lives trying to avoid the present by fitfully rehashing the past and rehearsing the future"
(Robert Caldwell, Cedar Lane UU Church, Bethesda, MD)

Mindful meditation essentially is being attentive to the present moment, this moment, NOW! Practiced regularly, mindfulness can become a fundamental way of being whether we are sitting in meditation, shopping for groceries, talking to a friend, or driving in rush

going to the Idaho Food Bank and to Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). Please take a sponsor envelope and find people who will donate.

You can donate and sign up to walk online here:

Go to this website to join BUUF's Team and to contribute and ask your friends and relatives to contribute there as well.

http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/site/TR/2015CROPHungerWalks/TR-CHW2015?pg=entry&fr_id=20805

Click on Register and click on Join a Team. Then join and donate to BUUFs Team.

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hour traffic. Over time, this practice can help us feel more at ease with ourselves and with others, have a greater sense of integration of mind and body, and a greater receptivity to the spiritual.

For more information contact:

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(336-4921)

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It's Back! Movie Time

Manos: the Hands of Fate

Once again, just in time for Halloween, one of the worst movies ever made, rears its ugly head! But this time, it's the Restoration, in its original, full-color incompetence! You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll ask yourself, "Why did they ever do this?" and perhaps more to the point, "What am I doing here?"

For a frightful evening of fun, join us at BUUF on Friday, October 30th at 7:00 pm in the north wing. Free admission (donations to BUUF accepted), free popcorn and lemonade.

"Manos," named the "Worst Movie Ever Made" by Entertainment Weekly Magazine and featured in an article in the October, 2015 edition of Playboy, has become a cult classic. It has spawned stage plays, video games, a puppet play, and attempts at prequels and sequels. We have a choice: the Mystery Science Theater 3000 riff version with all of its laughs, and the newly restored original. Which should we watch?

On a personal note, Bryan Jennings' father played the sheriff! Costumes are not required, but they couldn't hurt!

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