



Prairie Fire Bulletin

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Calendar

Saturday, March 7, 2009

9:00 am to 4:00 pm - "Building the Beloved Community: Realizing Racial Justice" workshop. Contact Mary Somers for more information.

Sunday, March 8, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "Military Recruiting Abuse," presented by Vicki Berenson.

11:45 am - Brief Parish meeting to approve the congregation's application to the Green Sanctuary program.

Saturday, March 14, 2009

9:00 am - WOW (Prairie's Women's group) meets at the home of Kathy Converse for breakfast potluck.

Sunday, March 15, 2009 - Prairie Fire article deadline.

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE Committee meeting.

10:00 am - service - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships," part one of three, presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Pledge Luncheon.

Wednesday, March 18, 2009

7:00 pm - Program Committee meets at Prairie.

Sunday, March 22, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships," part two of three, presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Board Meeting. Potluck begins at 11:45, meeting begins at noon.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America by Erik Larson.

Monday, March 23, 2009

6:30 pm - Spanish Speakers potluck at the home of Amy Schulz and Dave Welo.

Tuesday, March 24, 2009

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

Thursday, March 26, 2009

7:00 pm - Movie Group meets at Prairie to view "In Bruges."

Saturday, March 28, 2009

10:00 am - Software Seminar presented by Al Nettleton. (You can still get in on this auction item! Please contact Al Nettleton for details.)

Sunday, March 29, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships," part three of three, presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

Looking further ahead....

April 11, 2009 - Memorial Service for Dick Bonser, 2pm.

April 11, 2009 - Bus trip to Art Institute of Chicago. Contact Pat Watkins for more info.

April 24-26, 2009, Central Midwest District Assembly in Waukesha.

June 24-28, 2009 UUA General Assembly in Salt Lake City.

Prairie Web Sites:

Society Home Page
www.uuprairie.org

News Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie_news/

Views
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie_views/

Social Action
<http://socialaction.madisonwi.us>

Humanist Union
<http://humanist.madisonwi.us>

Upcoming Programs

Sunday, March 8, 2009 - "**Military Recruiting Abuse**," presented by Vicki Berenson.

Most people view military recruiting of youth as a necessary and expected part of our society. But the constant presence and glorification of the military in civilian arenas contributes to the ease with which we accept violent solutions to social problems. Vicki will talk about local and statewide initiatives, and the rewards and difficulties facing us as we challenge this major social institution. Counter-recruitment work can be touchy, but by focusing on finding common ground and building bridges, we can open eyes and move closer to a more respectful and compassionate world.

Vicki Berenson is currently the Technology Coordinator for the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence. As a parent, she has worked for a number of years with East High school on military recruiting issues, and finally connected with others doing similar work in spring of 2007 as a member of a newly formed group called TAME (Truth and Alternatives to Militarism in Education). She is a member of the Madison Friends Meeting, and she and her husband Shel Gross have two children, ages 16 and 20.

Sundays March 15, 22, and 29, 2009 - **A three-part series - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships,"** presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Consulting Minister. In this series, I will be exploring the meanings and current relevance of the 7 UUA Principles as they bear on our core understandings of what "Unites" us as UU's and what are the beliefs that connect us with one another in a bond of abiding relationship. With all of our diversity of beliefs, perspectives, frames of meaning, what "bonds" us together as Unitarian Universalists?

Input Deadlines:

Calendar items and program descriptions are due on the 1st and 15th of each month. Feature articles for the full *Prairie Fire* are due on the 15th of each month. Please send to Kate Liu at admin@uuprairie.org or call 271-8218.



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