



# Prairie Fire Bulletin

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## Calendar

### Saturday, January 8, 2011

9:00 Prairie Women's Group meets for breakfast potluck & conversation.

### Sunday, January 9, 2011

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service - "Raising the Next Generation of Productive Adults," presented by Michael Johnson.

### Wednesday, January 12, 2011

7:00 RE Family dinner and meeting with Rev. Jane and the DRE. Details will follow.

7:00 Bylaws discussion group meets.

### Saturday, January 15, 2011

Article deadline for Prairie Fire

### Sunday, January 16, 2011

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service - "In the Midst of Darkness," by Rev. Jane Esbensen.

11:45 Prairie Book Club meets to discuss John Updike's Rabbit Redux.

### Monday, January 17, 2011

6:30 Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Dave and Marcia Johnson, 305 S. Segoe Rd. For directions call the Johnsons at 441-0271, for information call Rosemary Dorney 238-4382.

### Wednesday, January 19, 2011

7:00 Program Committee meets at Prairie.

### Thursday, January 20, 2011

7:00 Prairie Board meets.

### Sunday, January 23, 2011

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service - "Correctional Education," presented by Margaret Carpenter.

### Tuesday, January 25, 2011

1:30 Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood; topic is Lessons from the Great Depression.

### Saturday, January 29, 2011

9:00 New Member Orientation.

5:00 RE Wild Wintering Event!

### Sunday, January 30, 2011

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service - "Educating the Jailers," presented by Marty Drapkin.

# Upcoming Programs

## Prairie Web Sites:

Home Page  
[www.uuprairie.org](http://www.uuprairie.org)

News Group  
[http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie\\_news/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie_news/)

Views  
[http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie\\_views/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie_views/)

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

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

## 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](mailto:admin@uuprairie.org) or call 271-8218.



**Sunday, January 9, 2011, 10:00 am: "Raising the Next Generation of Productive Adults," presented by Michael Johnson.** Michael Johnson, the Chief Executive Officer of the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County, will be speaking about working in the community to support the young people that need us the most. The Boys & Girls Club provides young people with the tools they need to succeed in life. In order to accomplish this goal, they offer a variety of programs promoting Character & Leadership, Education & Career, Health & Life Skills, Sports, Fitness & Recreation, and Arts & Cultural Enrichment.

**Sunday, January 16, 2011, 10:00 am: "In the Midst of Darkness," presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen.** These are the contemplative days of winter, where the outside world often more poignantly reflects our inner world. Come and join us for a service of poetry and of peacefulness, of music and song and silence, as we attend to the darkness and find beauty and hope.

**Sunday, January 23, 2011, 10:00 am: "Correctional Education," presented by Margaret Carpenter.** Prairie member and Education Director for the Division of Adult Institutions, Margaret Carpenter, will give an overall look at correctional education programs for adults and youth. She will discuss literacy rates, education focus and challenges with addressing and meeting academic needs.

**Sunday, January 30, 2011, 10:00 am: "Educating the Jailors," presented by Marty Drapkin.** In his talk, presenter Marty Drapkin will focus on key issues regarding training of county jail officers in Wisconsin, as well as on some issues regarding jails and jail inmates in general. Issues will include the difference between jail and prisons, background and history of jail officer training, goals of training, subjects and topics for training, and some of the challenges in training. There will also be a focus on emotional and mental health concerns in jail populations, and how training aims to address such concerns. Former Prairie member Marty Drapkin is the director of Wisconsin's program for training county jail officers, working for the Wisconsin Department of Justice. He has been involved in jail officer training for more than thirty years. He has also written several books and numerous articles on jail issues.

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