# Prairie Calendar

## Tuesday, December 30, 2008

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders will meet at Oakwood.

# Thursday, January 1, 2009

Prairie Fire Bulletin deadline today (calendar and program items only.)

# Sunday, January 4, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.
10:00 am - service - "Ringing in a New Year for Prairie" presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.
12:00 noon - Humanist Union meets. Program TBA.

## Saturday, January 10, 2009

9:00 am - WOW meets at the home of Kathy Converse.

# Sunday, January 11, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.
10:00 am - service - "Journey to Selma," presented by Rev. Darrel Richey of James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Congregation.
11:45 am - Prairie Board meeting. Potluck lunch at 11:45, meeting begins at noon.

## Sunday, January 18, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "Coincidence and Ambiguity," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discus <u>Blink: The Power of</u> <u>Thinking Without Thinking</u> by Malcolm Gladwell.

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# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711 http://uuprairie.org Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, December 28th, 2008

Prelude: "Winter Scene," by William L. Gillock. Doleta Chapru, pianist

Welcome - Madeline Arnold

Opening Words – read by Madeline Arnold Making resolutions is a cleansing ritual of self assessment and repentance that demands personal honesty and, ultimately, reinforces humility. Breaking them is part of the cycle. --Eric Zorn

> \*Hymn #58, SLT- Ring Out, Wild Bells Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Chalice Lighting- #542 SLT, read by Christina Klock

Again did the earth shift, again did the nights grow short, and the days long. And the people of the earth were glad and celebrated each in their own ways. --Diane Lee Moomey

#### **Silent Meditation**

Moving Forward—This is a time for us to share our hopes for the future and ways we plan to move forward with our life in 2009

#### RE Skit - "Three French Hens"

Offering Offertory - "Interlude," by William L. Gillock Doleta Chapru, accompanist

## Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn—Auld Lang Syne Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And days of auld lang syne? And days of auld lang syne, my dear, And days of auld lang syne. Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And days of auld lang syne?

And ther's a hand, my trusty friend, And gie's a hand o'thing; We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet, For auld lang syne. For auld lang syne, my dear, For auld lang syne, We'll tak'a cup o'kindness yet, For auld lang syne.

Closing Words -- read by Rueben Arnold

Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Many thanks to all who contributed to making this service possible. Please join us after the service for refreshments and dancing.

#### Announcements

#### Book Club

The book selection for January is <u>Blink: The Power of Thinking Without</u> <u>Thinking</u> by Malcolm Gladwell and will be discussed on January 18th after service.

#### **Program Schedule Change**

January 4, 2009, Rev. Ralph Tyksinski will present "Ringing in the New Year for Prairie," and January 11, 2009, Rev. Darrel Richey will be presenting "Journey to Selma." Andy Somers's presentation "First Amendment: Right or Slogan" will be rescheduled.

#### **Prairie Elders to meet Dec 30th**

Prairie Elders meets Tuesday, December 30, 2:00-4:00 pm. Informal conversation 1:30-2:00 pm. *This is a time change and a temporary departure from our usual 4th Tuesday.* We meet in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. Newcomers are welcome. Call contacts below for directions or a ride. TOPIC: First focus of the new U.S. administration. What do you think it should be? Why? SNACKS: If convenient, please bring a few snacks to pass and your own beverage cup. CONTACTS: Donna Murdoch 238-3802, Gordon Cunningham 230-3367, Rosemary Dorney 238-4382 or Rose Smith 233-3363.

#### **Cradle Club Extended**

The "Cradle Club" deadline has been extended until Sunday, January 4th. If you had planned to donate some baby items, but were unable to get around to doing so, there is still time. The committee is extremely grateful to Orange and Dean Schroeder, who so generously offered to donate the packing and shipping of our collected goods, and we felt that we did not want to burden them with this so close to Christmas when the store is so extremely busy.

## **Prairie Fire Bulletin Deadline January 1**

If you have any calendar items or program items, please get them to Kate Liu, Prairie's Administrator, by Thursday, January 1st. The short Prairie Fire Bulletin will be published on January 6, 2009. The next full featured Prairie Fire has an article deadline of January 15th and will be published January 22.

## **Time to Start Thinking about Auction!**

Please take care of any outstanding items from the 2008 auction, and start thinking about what you might offer for the 2009 auction. Please send your ideas to Kate Liu or Mary Mullen.