

# UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP of LONGVIEW

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Marolen:**

Next week's program is "Unitarian Universalism, A Religion? It will be presented by Jay Noble. Jay explains: William Cantwell Smith, professor of Comparative Religion at Harvard, maintained in his classic, *The Meaning and End of Religion*, that we see the world through a pattern of concepts that we have inherited and also, that conceptualization is a strictly human activity. It then follows that there is and can be no ideal Faith that we ought to have. This insight supports the UU foundational belief that "Revelation is not sealed." I would like to share what I have learned and speculate on how it might relate to our UU spiritual journeys.

### **John:**

I have been working on the UUFL Directory online. You can see it at:

<http://tradersdaughter.com/uudirectory.doc>

Please take a look at it and see if your information is there and is correct. If not, please send me an email at [johnwriley@aol.com](mailto:johnwriley@aol.com). I apologize if I am making you do this twice. I lost some of the information. You know how computers and pieces of paper are.

### **Marolen:**

**Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>** will be a special Sunday at the UUFL. UU Tyler will be joining us for services and a pot luck ~ outside on the grass by the woods if we have good weather. We will provide the main dishes, they will bring the deserts. And we will all have the opportunity to get to know each other a little better. Mark your calendars now!

### **Sky:**

We have received a catalog from the Southeast UU Summer Institute with a listing of all the programs and workshops they will be presenting this summer. It will be in the lobby for your perusal.

### **Celeste:**

The UUFL Annual Congregational Business Meeting (ACBM) will be held after services on May 16. All members and friends are invited to attend. We will be voting on a Behavioral Covenant, the annual budget, and all governing board positions.

The proposed covenant will be posted at the Fellowship and on our website ([uulongview.com](http://uulongview.com)) beginning next Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Hard copies will also be available.

All members in good standing are eligible to serve on the governing board. I am responsible for presenting the slate to the Board. If you are interested in serving as one of the officers or members-at-large, please let me know ([celeste551@yahoo.com](mailto:celeste551@yahoo.com) or 903-472-8227). If you would like to nominate someone for a particular position, there will be a nomination sheet at the

Fellowship or you can contact me or speak with any Board Member. It is presumed that you will have spoken with the person you are nominating and they are willing to serve on the Board.  
**The last day to submit a nomination is May 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

### **Huey:**

The Finance Committee (Marolen, myself, Gabi, Amanda, and Ruth) is preparing a budget to present to the Board on May 9 so it can be reviewed by the Board and then presented to the congregation at the ACBM on May 16. In order to help us create a viable budget, we need to know approximately how much money we will have to work with. To that end, we have made pledge cards so you can let us know your financial plans for donating to the Fellowship's upkeep and sustainability. (see pledge card form). Hard copies are available at the Fellowship.

**Please complete and return the forms by May 2.**

- **Hard copies** can be placed in the Treasurer's mail slot at the Fellowship (behind the snack counter)
- OR mailed to:  
UU Fellowship of Longview  
P O Box 3451  
Longview, TX 75606
- **Soft copies**  
email to [gene1@etex.net](mailto:gene1@etex.net)

### **REMINDER:**

There is a new way for you to share your comments, questions, and suggestions regarding the Fellowship. In the lobby, on top of the book cases, is a wonderful little mail box (you may recognize it from your childhood days). Next to it is a pad of paper and a pen. Please write to us and let us know what you are thinking. We would like to hear from you and we need your ideas. And I promise, your note will be answered!

**Partners In Prevention** - see attached World Café documents

### **Southwestern Unitarian Universalist Conference (SWUUC)**

Take A Fresh Look ~ Spring Conference and Annual Business Meeting

Community UU Church of Plano April 23 through April 25, 2010

go to [communityuuchurch.org/pages/springconf](http://communityuuchurch.org/pages/springconf) for all the details, registration, and lodging

**NOTE:** The UUFL is a member in good standing of SWUUC and therefore entitled to two lay delegates as voting representatives of our Fellowship. If you are planning to attend and would like to vote, contact the Secretary ([skysong@etex.net](mailto:skysong@etex.net)) for a Delegate Accreditation Form.

### **Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations (UUA) GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA) 2010**

June 23 - 27 Minneapolis, Minnesota

Detailed registration, financial aid, travel information, and the Tentative Agenda are available online at [www.uua.org/ga](http://www.uua.org/ga)

The UUFL is a member of the UUA and is allowed four voting delegates to the UUA GA. You must be a voting member of the UUFL to be a voting delegate to the UUA GA. If you are planning to attend the GA and would like to be a voting delegate, contact the Secretary (skysong@etex.net) for a Delegate Credential form.

**UU Vacation Opportunities at Ferry Beach** - see Ferry Beach document