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From the Pulpit the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

The work of the church is “to heal the consequences of loneliness and injustice in the hearts and minds of our members so that they might heal the community and together heal the world.” These are the words of the Rev. Nancy Bowen, from her Keynote Address to the Western Crescent Cluster Workshop on Leadership gathering at the Elgin UU church on January 30, 2016. I invite you to hold on to them.

Sixteen active UUSG leaders

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attended the Workshop, returning with insights and ideas that will help us as we move forward toward our own goals of healthy growth, a positive impact on our communities, increased congregational engagement, financial stability, and adequate staffing and facilities so that we can pursue our vision of a church doing the work Nancy so eloquently described.

We sixteen worked together to prepare a summary of our key take-aways from the Keynote and the four individual workshops (Ministerial Transitions, Committees on Ministry, Multi-Site Models, and Leadership Development) that we divided up and attended. Some of those I'd like to share with all of you. I'm hoping that we can have future conversations shaped by these ideas as we go forward together.

Leaders need to lead, not manage.

It's the Board's responsibility to set broad but clear intentions and directions, then to empower and trust the administrative staff and the ministry teams to set their goals and do their work to advance those intentions and directions.

Focus on what is essential.
When setting goals both broad

and specific, we need to ask ourselves three questions:

1. What is core/essential?
2. What does or does not serve these, our core values?
3. What changes are needed?

Leadership development is an ongoing, year-round job. Leadership can be discovered, encouraged, and developed through intentional programming, such as general life-skills workshops to which all members of the congregation are invited. Possibilities might include Self-awareness, Personal finance, Communication skills, Time management, Prioritizing. Specific workshops may also be offered for leaders and leaders-in-training (and anyone else who's interested), such as How to Run a Meeting, Fundraising, Churches & the Law.

Don't be afraid of some change. Adjusting to change can be unsettling, but healthy churches make room for the new and aren't afraid of change. (See the three questions above.)

Strive to be like-hearted, not like-minded.

Yes, we all cherish a community of "like-minded people," but that narrows our doors and cannot be our core value. Remember the words of Transylvanian

Unitarian Francis David: “We need not think alike to love alike.” We’re here to heal and change ourselves and the world for the better. Loving alike is more important than thinking alike.

Don’t be too worried about Lindsay’s retirement!
Yes, there are many hoops to jump through and traps to avoid in searching for a new minister, but the UUA and the Region will provide guidance to help us through the process.

We need to do more with our neighbors in the Western Crescent of UU Congregations. We’ve participated in the Western Crescent Choir Festival in the past and hope to do so again next year. This year’s was the second Western Crescent Workshop, and we’ve had a strong attendance both times. We’re hoping to host next year’s Workshop, possibly on the theme of Lifelong Religious Learning. Might we not also approach our neighbors to join us in our work with the Northern Illinois Food Bank? With the Fox River Valley Initiative? Maybe the occasional pulpit exchange? How do we strengthen the bonds of cooperation?

And finally, It is NOT the work of the church to make people happy.
We come back to Nancy’s

definition of the work of the church: “to heal the consequences of loneliness and injustice in the hearts and minds of our members so that they might heal the community and together heal the world.” And from that work will come a deeper love, a deeper commitment, a deeper faith, a deeper joy in living that will far transcend our individual contentment.

So may it be.

Blessed Be!

Who Went to the Western Crescent Workshop?

If you'd like more information about the day and what we learned, talk with Lindsay Bates, Scott Talbot Lewis, Bill Scown, Hal Schulman, Debbie Leoni, Cindy Vacek, Bob Swanson, Pat Vary, Jeff Stibal, Pat Ward, Kathy Cornell, Jim Frazier, Deb Brod, Deann Alleman, Lisa Gades, or Kevin Beyer.



Scott's REgards
the Rev. Scott Talbot Lewis

In February, the 3rd-5th grade class watched a video about Craig Kielburger as part of their Sunday morning gathering. Brian is a 14-year-old Canadian who founded a social justice program called Free the Children, which he established to end child labor wherever it exists. The kids, the teachers, and I were all very moved. It was astounding to hear his persuasive speeches and see such a skilled and effective activist. It was exciting to see our kids motivated by another kid who helps exploited kids.

Today on NPR's Morning Edition, I heard Alexandra Apostolou, a Greek social worker, describe her work helping unaccompanied Syrian children. Apostolou described the tragic experiences of the children she serves. (I encourage each of you to listen to the story on the website.) At the end of the segment, she described what the refugee children have taught her. When she feels discouraged about the Greed economy, she remembers the words of a Syrian girl she met: "You live in heaven; Syria is like hell."

It grieves me how people can close their hearts to suffering and exploited children. When I hear about the work being done by individuals like Craig and Alexandra, I can't help wondering if we doing enough for the world's children. And I'm equally proud that we are a congregation that starts early to teach our children the importance of altruism and social justice. Our children learn that though words are important, actions speak louder than words.

Current rhetoric has it that Americas need to focus on ourselves, close down our borders, and let others fend for themselves. And should that include the most vulnerable among us? Through all the children, we touch the future. If we hope for a better world tomorrow, we must put an end the suffering and exploitation of all the children today.

With joy, love and gratitude,
Rev. Scott



We Welcome Our New Church School Coordinator!

We are pleased to announce that Cathi Plass has joined the UUSG staff as our new Church School Coordinator.

Cathi brings a diverse work history with wide experience in educational administration. She is also a Reiki master, a certified yoga instructor, and a life coach. She brings a spiritual depth and enthusiasm for inquiry that fits well with our community.

Cathi can be reached at LRE@uusg.org or 630-232-2350, x224. Her office hours are Sundays, 8:30am - 1pm; Mondays, 9am - 2pm, and Tuesdays, 9am - 2pm.

We know you'll be as excited as we are to be working with her. Please make her feel welcome!

If you have questions or requests, please direct those to [Rev. Scott](#).

Thanks to Neill Shanahan, Jodi Brown, Jenny Montgomery, and the UUSG staff for their help in the hiring process -- well done!



boardblog: UUSG Gets "Branded"

At its February meeting, your Board of Directors unanimously approved the first-ever Branding Statement for UUSG. Those of you who work in marketing or sales probably already know what branding is all about. For the rest of us, it is a definition of our church and what it offers presented in a way that can be used to inform our outreach campaigns. Think of it as a set of "talking points" to help tell the UUSG story to those who don't know us.

Read the [UUSG Branding Statement](#).

Developed by the Communications Team, the Branding Statement includes four components:

- Brand Promise: The single most important thing UUSG offers
- Brand Attributes: The specific things we do or provide to deliver on the Promise
- Brand Personality: If the brand was a person, what would he/she be like?
- Brand Tagline: The essence of the brand's appeal in three to five words

Of the four components, only the tagline — "Come as you are" — is meant for public consumption. The tagline is to be used in conjunction with our logo — you can already see it in action on the [UUSG website](#) — and it will start appearing on brochures, videos, and other materials as they are developed or reprinted.

The hope is that all members and friends who are involved in spreading the good news about UUSG, either in casual conversation or official communication, will find the Branding Statement helpful in talking and writing about our extraordinary church community.

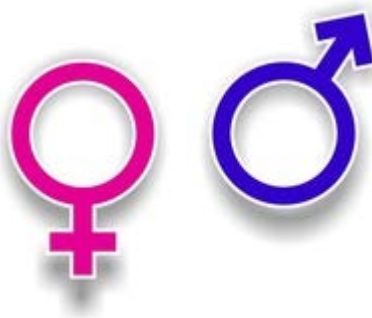
Questions or comments? Contact the [Board of Directors](#).



Are You a Geezer?

The "Geezers" Group welcomes retired and semi-retired UUSG men for a monthly lunch. Their next gathering is Friday, February 26.

[Learn more...](#)



February Friday Flick: "Intersexion"

Join us for an LGBTQ-focused film on Friday, February 26 at 7pm. Intersex is the term for a condition whereby a person has ambiguous sexual anatomy. The film "Intersexion" sets out to de-mystify intersex, looking beyond the shame and secrecy that defines many intersex births.

Interviewing intersex people around the world, the film explores how they navigate their way through childhood, adolescence, relationships, and adulthood when they don't fit the binary model of a solely male and female world.

It also sheds light on our culture and how it dictates gender roles without allowing for ambiguity. This film is sponsored by the UUSG [Interweave Group](#).



UUSG Women's Circle

We continue to share the joy and value of the UUSG women's community. On February 27, we will host our 4th Women's Circle event, Singing Meditation. Led by Cynthia Spiegel, our time together will include shared singing based on music from a variety of sources interspersed by short periods of silence. Descriptive words about the experience include "joyful" and "high energy" as well as "slow" and "contemplative."

We hope you won't want to miss out and are able to attend. You don't need to be able to sing or read music, and don't think of this as a performance! We are singing for the purpose of connecting with our own Inner Core of guidance or wisdom, or as a song bridge to the Divine. The process of layering of song and silence creates an environment for spiritual deepening. Both singers and those who consider themselves non-singers are invited to embrace this practice as a source of solace and joy.

We will also be including time for more personal conversation and sharing among ourselves to deepen the connections we are weaving together!

Sign up [here](#).



Sunday Buddhist Meditation

UUSG's Buddhist Meditation and Study Group is now offering meditation on the fourth Sunday of each month at 11:15am in the Servetus Room of Pioneer House.

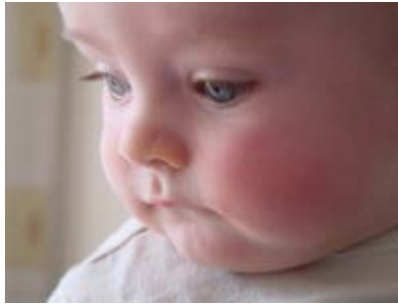
Upcoming dates include February 28 and March 27. Please contact [Lisa Gades](#) and [Eric Bodwell](#) for more information.



Love Is Love

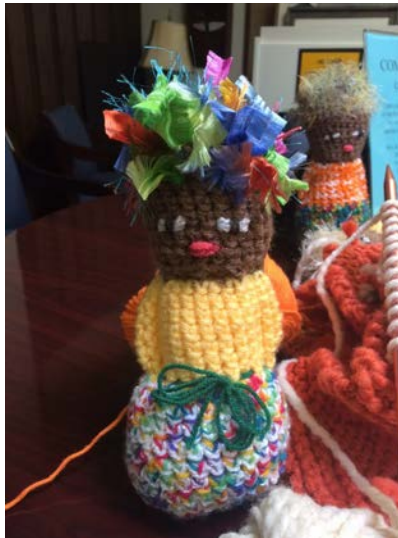
The annual Interweave LGBTQ worship service will be held on March 6. We would like to show pictures of our church family and friends that Sunday to help us celebrate our theme, "Love Is Love."

If you have pictures of your family or friends to share, please send them to [Tony Gibbons](#) by March 1. If you have any questions, please contact [Lynn Steele](#).



Celebrations of Naming & Dedication

This year's services will be on April 3. Contact [Rev. Lindsay](#) by March 6 if you'd like your little one to be included.

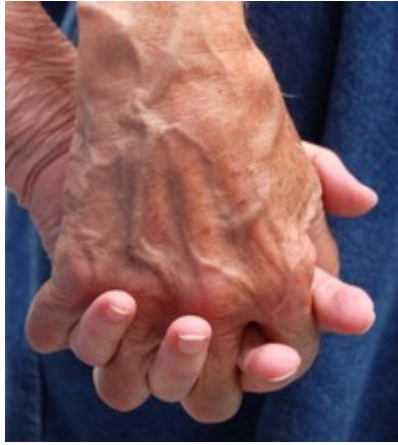


Commit to Knit

Feeling blessedly lucky this month? Share your abundance by contributing needlework projects to women and children around the world through UUSG Commit to Knit and [Women4Women Knitting4Peace](#). If you have any interest or experience in knitting, crocheting, or quilting, please join us in making such items as scarves, shawls, baby blankets, bibs, toys, and sleeping mats.

We work mostly at home but also gather between services on the first Sunday of each month in the Common Room. Our next meeting is March 6, when we'll concentrate on making Peace Pals (stuffed toys).

Questions, suggestions, donations? Contact [Katherine Lyons](#).



Adult Religious Enrichment: "Questions at the End of Life"

On Sunday, March 6 at 12:30pm, a panel of experts from both within and beyond our church walls will provide insights and advice for those who are concerned about questions of aging and the end of life.

Whether for yourself or with a view to caring for an elderly family member, you may find the considerations of later life less onerous when viewed with the support of others.

Sign up [here](#).



Food Bank Group

The next Combined Day of Service / Food Bank Group volunteer event will take place on Saturday, March 12 at the Northern Illinois Food Bank. Please join in our effort to provide food for our neighbors in need. Ages 8 and older are welcome; appropriate clothes for warehouse work are required.

[Learn more...](#)



Spring Forward!

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13.



Ready to Join UUSG?

If you are thinking about becoming a member of UUSG and you have attended at least some of the “New UUs” orientation sessions, you are invited to the Membership Prep Class on Sunday, March 13, 12:30-3pm.

This class is a requirement for church membership. A light lunch is included. We’re working to arrange childcare; let us know if you need it to attend. Sign up in the Common Room or [here](#).



March Friday Flick: "A Day's Work"

On March 18 at 7pm, Friday Flicks will feature "A Day's Work." Ninety minutes before he was killed on his first day of work as a temporary employee, 21-year-old Day Davis texted a picture of himself to his girlfriend, excited for their future. Now Day's sister, 17-year-old Antonia, searches for answers.

An investigation reveals the troubling issues that led to Day's death and how the \$100 billion temporary staffing industry is putting millions of American workers at risk. This multiple award-winning film is co-sponsored by Northern Illinois Jobs with Justice.

Please note that this is the 3rd Friday of March because of Good Friday events on the 4th Friday.



Get Involved With Interweave

Interweave is a local group of LGBTQ members, friends, and allies who meet once a month to have time together for discussions and special events.

They will meet at 12:30pm (after the second service) on Sunday, March 20 to discuss current group ideas and plan for spring activities. For more information, please contact [Lynn Steele](#).



"Bible Study for UUs"

For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible as literature, "Bible Study for UUs" meets on the third Monday of each month from 7pm to 8:30pm. Their next meeting will be on March 21. Please read through Chapter 5 in "[Lost Christianities](#)" by Bart D. Ehrman. For more info, please contact [Jim Frazier](#).

If you haven't had a chance to read the book, please feel free to come anyway. The conversation frequently wanders beyond the book!



Hypnotism at UUSG

If you're interested in learning more about hypnotism, or would like to join the Last Tuesday Group Hypnotism program, you're invited to the "Hypnosis Info-Intake" on Tuesday, March 22, 7-9pm.

All UUSG members and friends are invited to participate, and teens and older children are also welcome with parents and a signed parent/guardian permission slip.

Sign up in the Common Room or with an email to [Rev. Lindsay](#).

Once you have been through the Info-Intake process, you may join the Last Tuesday Group Hypnosis sessions – the next one is March 29.



Tenebrae Service

On Good Friday, March 25 at 8pm, we will hold our traditional Tenebrae (“Shadows”) Service. This dark service acknowledges the suffering, the evil, and the loss of hope that are realities in the world and a necessary prelude to Easter’s celebration.

The Sanctuary doors will open at 7:30pm, with meditational music and time for quiet reflection. The service begins promptly at 8pm and will last about an hour. Please note that Tenebrae isn’t suitable for young children and we’re not able to provide childcare.



2016 Follies Kickoff

We're excited to report that we are planning the Follies for later this summer, and the script is now 75% complete! The Follies will be a comedy about Unitarian Universalists and about UUSG. We are looking for actresses, actors, singers, and others who would like to participate.

Our first meeting will be on Sunday, March 27 at 12:30pm in the Alcott Room. Contact [Steve Zrebiec](#) and [Tracy Rosenkrans](#) for additional information.



New2U Marketplace

We have a new fundraising vehicle at UUSG – New2U – an online marketplace where sellers can list gently used (or new) items, and buyers can get great deals. And the monies support UUSG.

When participating in N2U, everyone wins! Sellers get rid of superfluous items and get a tax receipt for monies donated; buyers get great deals on great stuff and know they are supporting an amazing organization; and UUSG gets the funds. Win. Win. Win.

So if you are downsizing or just cleaning out – or if you want to get great deals on great stuff – click [here](#).

The success of this program depends on enthusiastic sellers and buyers – so check it out!



Fabulous February

Another stellar month of musical offerings included the crystalline vocals of Cynthia Spiegel, followed by a pairing of humor and musicianship in a rousing performance by The UUSG Money Band. The Money Band starred Tracey McFadden, Andy Montgomery, John Rosenkrans, Tracy Rosenkrans, and Chris Stibal in songs with cleverly fine-tuned lyrics for UUSG.

Patricia Arzaga shone at the piano at several services and was part of the vocal crew lined up by Cynthia Spiegel for sumptuous selections with exquisite harmonies. The ensemble also featured Katie Baar, Jeanne

Fornani, Jessica Littlefield, and Tracy Rosenkrans, who sang as well as added wonderful accompaniments on the double bass.

You can look ahead to more musical treats by Andy Montgomery, Ellie Montgomery, Cynthia Spiegel, Alex Cordogan, and the RE Music Program led by Sandra Anderson-Cordogan, plus the keyboard talents of Tom Zimmerman, Patricia Arzaga, Geoff Pynn, and Dean Malambri.

Every weekend is a one-of-a-kind creation. Each of our musicians and groups carefully prepares music to fit the particular service, presenting a worship experience that we believe is unique to the area. To share your own special gift, offer suggestions, or express your appreciation of our work, please reach out to our Music Director, [Tracy Rosenkrans](#).



Food Bank in February

Thank you to everyone who volunteered during the combined Social Justice Monthly Day of Service and Food Bank Group event on February 13. We worked so hard that the power went out in the whole Industrial Park!

Volunteers were: Kevin Beyer, James Carroll, Jamie Carroll, Kallista Casterline, Sherri Casterline, Elke Chateau, Nancy Christensen, Lisa Gades, Diane Gallentine, Roger Gallentine, Griffin Johnson, Liam Johnson, Kate Johnson, Larry Mathias, Tracey McFadden, Gary Noll, Kathie Noll, Lou Pierce, Page Poris, Hamid Rusef, Ramsey Rusef, Jason Sapet, Nancy Steinke, Martha Tabis, Pat Vary, Caleb Warren, Chris Weithers, and Joyce Whitehead.



Circles of Life

We'll start with the good news this month: Kristin McFadden, daughter of church members Tracey and Kathleen McFadden, began a six-month overseas education program in London, England in January. She is attending the Academy of Contemporary Music where she is studying songwriting, music production, and performance. Kristin began honing her musical chops at a very young age at UUSG and still performs at our church when she can. She is very grateful for all the support and love her UUSG family has given her over the years.

On the other side of the circle, we send our heartfelt condolences to Gary Littlefield on the death of his father, Mike Webster on the death of his father, and Susan Conant on the death of her mother. To Gary, Mike, Susan, and their families, we send our loving sympathy.

In addition, we were saddened to hear of the passing of former church member Harry Shuemaker, and we send our condolences to his family.



Save the Date

Mark your calendars – April 9, 7:30-9:30pm – for a return engagement by popular folk artist Tom Neilson. Neilson has been called a "consummate and gifted performer with a human & compassionate touch...one of the most savvy political songwriters."

The theme of the evening is "Water, Water Everywhere (But not a drop to drink)." Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Fox River Ecosystem Partnership. Listen to some of his remarkable songs [here](#).



Green Corner

Enthusiastic "Greenings" to Everyone!

With April not far off, the UUSG Green Sanctuary Team is continuing to put together plans for a month-long celebration of our Earth. With the Social Justice Team, Green Sanctuary is co-sponsoring the return of Tom Neilson with his guitar and original song lyrics – rousing and humorous on current green-justice issues. Refreshments offered. Save April 9 at 7pm.

Green Sanctuary will be sponsoring a green, eye-opening flick, "DamNation," to be shown on Friday, April 22. This award-winning film about dams and dam removal has captured the interest and sponsorship of several key organizations in the Fox River Watershed. "DamNation" deals with why there's a great need to remove certain dams and the results of doing so in the river and dam location.

Bags, barrels, and books, oh, my! During Social Hour on April 24, the Team will be eco-selling our hand-sewn reusable gift bags, bird books, other green items, and rain barrels. We will also promote and sell Equal Exchange Fair Trade coffees, teas, cocoas, and chocolate bars. Don't forget, all sale items will be sold at a discount to YOU.

And yes, Earth Month will be extended into later May for the annual Native Plant Sale. Trish Beckjord will again make it possible for church members, neighbors, and friends to buy a variety of favorite native plants at a discount. The sale is held on the south porch of Pioneer House, where plants will be ready to be placed right into your gardens. Plan to come during Social Hour and for a ½ hour after the 2nd Service.



Upcoming Staff Time Off

- Our Senior Minister, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates, is on Study Leave through February 28.
 - Our Assistant Minister, the Rev. Scott Talbot Lewis, will be on vacation March 7-12
 - Our Congregational Administrator, Katie Phillips, will be on vacation March 11-19.
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Supporting NPR, Supporting UUSG

UUSG is a Corporate Sponsor of Northern Public Radio, which broadcasts WNIJ (89.5FM) and WNIU (90.5FM). As a sponsor, we can advertise UUSG fundraisers – including this summer’s Pizza Booth – on both stations.

To help us continue this important publicity, we’re asking for your help. Write a check to UUSG with “NPR” on the memo line, and the Communications Team will match your contribution (up to a maximum total match of \$250). We’ll accept donations through the end of March.



Equal Exchange / Fair Trade

UUSG supports Equal Exchange fair trade by purchasing coffee, tea, and sugar for church use. In addition, EE/FT products are for sale to the

congregation and friends at no or very low mark-up.

These products are displayed in the Common Room north armoire. When purchasing items, please make your check to "UUSG" with "EE/FT" in the memo line. Place checks in the coffee can on the 2nd shelf along with any requests and/or suggestions.

NEW offerings include: extra virgin olive oil, specialty coffees, honey, and extreme dark chocolate.



Nursery Caregiver Needed

Make a few extra bucks while helping out the littlest UUs! We're looking for someone to join our staff as a Nursery Caregiver. If you would like to join our group of rotating providers or know someone who might be a good fit in our nursery, please contact [Rev. Scott](#).

Although we're particularly looking for regular help, please also let us know if you can be called for events or on short notice.



Giving "Beyond Our Walls"

Our January collections brought in \$1,381.40 towards our partnership with the DuPage UU Church, sponsoring and mentoring a new Bridge Communities family.



Supporting Our Young Adults

This month's "Beyond Our Walls" contributions will go the first Young Adult Habitat for Humanity trip, which will take place May 25-29, 2016.

The trip is open to members of the UUSG community ages 18-30. For this first trip, they will be traveling to Boone County, Iowa to frame a house for a family of 8.

They will only be taking 20 people for this first trip, so if you are interested in going or would like more information, please contact [Lily Phillips](#).

Please give generously by the end of the month! Write checks to "UUSG" with "BOW" in the memo line. You can also give through [Paypal](#) and marking your donation for "BOW."



Volunteer Appreciation

We give our heartfelt thanks to the following people:

Nancy Goodfellow for her many years of dedication as Co-Leader of the Green Sanctuary Team.

Sara Hoerdeman and Joe Gange for their years of dedication and leadership as members of the Communications Team.

Lazarus House Volunteers: Junior High RE students Amber Dotson, Cameron Klein, Collin Klein, Maddy Glazier, Jack Webster, Anna Rosenkrans, Stephan Cordogan, Ian Stanley, Salome Fogleman, Zoe Steele, Ethan Jonke, Robert Masini, Ivan Pynn, Brooklyn Saltigerald, Rachel Barry, and Max Montgomery provided lunch. In addition, we appreciate the help of Jenny Montgomery, who not only organized the lunches but also assisted Molly MacKay Zacker in preparing dinner. Thanks also to Maureen McKeough, who stayed overnight.

Greeters: Sandy & Dan Bottoms, Louise Haslett, Eric & Mary-Margaret Jonke, Karen Laukaitis, Glenda Peck, Neill Shanahan, Kerri & Mike Trejo

Social Hour Hosts: 6th-8th Grade Students, Board of Directors, Interweave Group, Team Leaders, Women's Retreat Participants

Counters: Jim Carroll, Patrick McGleam, Dave Moore, Kevin O'Neill, Ellie Radvanovsky, Patricia Ward, the Finance Team



Social Media, Anyone?

The Communications Team is looking for anyone who has any knowledge in social media such as Facebook, blogging methods, and various other media content. You can join the team or act as a consultant. All ages welcome. Contact the [Communications Team](#).



Board Meeting Summary

February 9, 2016

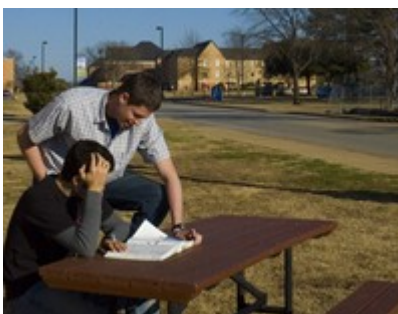
1. The initiative to develop a matching fund by leaders increasing their pledges to match first-time and increased pledges by the congregation has so far generated \$7,000.
 2. The Personnel Committee, led by Neill Shanahan, has compiled an Employee Handbook to codify and clarify the employment processes and procedures to ensure fairness in line with our core values as a UUA employer. The Handbook and Appendix were approved.
 3. Katie Phillips presented the new Photo and Video Use Policy, which was approved.
 4. The UUSG branding effort was unanimously approved by the Board. The phrase "Come as you are" will be used extensively. Dave Moore will be writing a boardblog this month to inform the congregation of various branding statements.
 5. The Objectives and Goals for the next year were finalized in time to help build the FY2016-17 budget. Teams will be submitting their budgets to Katie Phillips by March 1.
 6. Pledge drive training will be on Sundays, March 13 and 20, 11am-12:30pm.
 7. The Chamber of Commerce will rent the 3rd Street property for Swedish Days.
 8. UUSG will be one of the venues for the Geneva Film Festival March 10-12 in return for showing our videos and advertising UUSG.
 9. The fir trees in the courtyard are damaging the building and need to be removed.
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Memorial Stones

On May 29, we'll dedicate new memorial stones as they're installed in the Memorial Garden.

If you would like to remember a loved one with a carved stone, talk to our Congregational Administrator, Katie Phillips, or give her an [order form](#) by April 1.



Needed: Tutors

Will you tutor a Bridge Communities child who needs help? Bridge Communities is in need of certified teachers and volunteers with tutoring experience who can lend their expertise to help vulnerable families. Students meet with their tutors once or twice each week, for one hour per session.

Tutoring is performed on a one-to-one basis, and takes place in one of our four Learning Resource Centers located in Glen Ellyn, Glendale Heights, Naperville, and Westmont, or one of our other Tutor Centers in Glen Ellyn, Addison, and Woodridge. If you'd like to learn more about becoming a tutor, please contact [Jean Pierce](#).



Book Exchange

Take a peek at the UUSG Book Exchange at the James Street / north entrance. Borrow or keep any of the books in the barrister shelves. No sign in/out - just enjoy. Latest additions: Juggling; How Good Do We Have to Be?; and Meditations on Design.



Would You Like Your Own Hymnal?

A number of people have indicated an interest in owning their own copy of the gray hymnal "Singing the Living Tradition" and/or the teal hymnal "Singing the Journey."

We are going to place a bulk order with the UUA Bookstore and split the shipping, so if you'd like to order one (or more), send your request to [Katie Phillips](#) by April 1.

The gray hymnal is \$28 and the teal is \$18. Your total cost will depend on the shipping rate (which is determined by how many hymnals we order). Before the order is placed, you will be contacted with your total for final approval.



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