# **NUUs**<sub>Letter</sub>

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### We are a Welcoming Congregation Sunday mornings at 10 a.m.

Unitarian Universalists believe more than one thing. We think for ourselves, and reflect together, about Life's important questions.

.. Our beliefs are diverse and inclusive. We have no shared creed. Our shared covenant supports "the free and responsible search for truth and meaning." Though **Unitarianism** and Universalism were both liberal Christian traditions, this responsible search has led us to embrace diverse teachings from Eastern and Western religions and philosophies.



### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Sept. 2 John Bates, "Teaching the Sixth Sense: Compassion for the Natural World."

Sept. 16, Rev. Philip Sweet, "Living a Life of Wonder."

Sept. 30, Rev. Denise Tracy, "Beloved Community: How do we envision a world where all are included and valued?"

### ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. alternating with our regular Sunday services

Sept. 9 and 23, 10 a.m., Two one-half-hour lectures followed by a discussion. "Turning Points in American History, "Lecture 25, 1873 Bloody Sunday---Ending Reconstruction" and "Lecture 26, 1876 How the West was Won and Lost-- Custer."

### **DISCUSSION GROUPS**

#### Men's Discussion Group meets on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 6 p.m. at the Fellowship

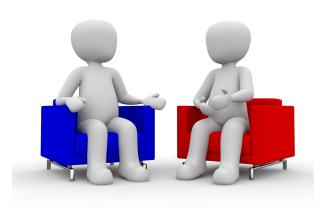
All men of the fellowship are invited to attend this potluck followed by discussion led by Frank Patin. *Participants need to bring a dish to pass as well as drinks of your choice.* New members welcome. Contact Dick Fields, <a href="mailto:dmafields@yahoo.com">dmafields@yahoo.com</a>, for more information or to bring the main course.

## Women's Evening Discussion Group meets Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 6 p.m. at the Fellowship in the Dr. Cline Room

All are invited to attend this discussion. No food is served. New members welcome. Contact Natalia Graf-Jones, for more information.



Topic: "Dealing with difficult and/or serious situations".



### **MILESTONES**

Cara Hettich	09-01-
Sherry Zoars	09-01-
Tim Kratz	09-01-
Jonathon Beutler	09-01-
Jerry Collins	09-05-
Carly Ratliff	09-05
Ruth Erbs	09-07-
Rev. Sydney Morris	09-07-
Briana Kubinek	09-08-
MacKenzie Reupert	09-08-
Mollie West	09-10-
Eileen Schultz	09-10-
Greg & Dawn Holt	09-10-

Pam Thul-Immler & Rick Immler	09-11-
Sharon Reilly	09-11
Cathy & Dion Peterson	09-13-

Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing? Or do you see a mistake that can be corrected? If so, please contact Candy Sorensen at (715) 892-2997 or <a href="mailto:sorensen">sorencan@yahoo.com</a> Thanks!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

For distribution of announcements between newsletters or email/address corrections, contact Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencan@yahoo.com">sorencan@yahoo.com</a>

Our UU Fellowship needs you to volunteer to bring snack and/or be a greeter. Snacks do not have to be elaborate.

Consider volunteering for a Sunday in September or October. Thank you.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Frederick Place in Rhinelander has a sizeable number of dates open for meals. If you can help out with one of these dates you can either call Frederick Place at 715-369-9777 or email Tammy Modic at tammymodic.frederickplace@gmail.com
- The next Fair Trade day at NUUF is Sunday, Sept. 2. A sampling of coffee and chocolate will be available.
- Ken Lonnquist and Doug Brown come to Tara and Jerry's Saturday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m.



Ken and Doug come to us after WPR's Simply Folk, the Winnipeg Folk Festival, Summerfest, Wisconsin State Fair, Rainbow Summer in Milwaukee, Festival In The Pines, Shawano Folk Festival - and lots more in Wisconsin and beyond.

Ken Lonnquist brings laughter and song to audiences of all ages, exploring themes of nature, human nature, and current events. He began writing songs at seven, played guitar at 12 and has performed

professionally since his college days at UW-Madison. Composer, performer and multi-instrumentalist Doug Brown's compositions have been heard at regional theaters especially American Players. **For reservations, email** woolpy@gmail.com. Donations \$10

to \$15 per person all for the performers.

Directions to our home from Paul Bunyan's Restaurant on Highway 51 in Minocqua. Take Old Highway 70 west 1 mile to Dr. Pink on the left. Take Pink 0.8 miles south to Woolpy Drive on the right. Take Woolpy winding west 0.2 miles to the end at 8395 Woolpy Drive. Call 715 356 6276 if you get lost. As with all of Tara and Jerry's concerts, this one is sponsored by Bats in the Boathouse Press.

- A Global Day of Action -- in Minocqua. Rise for climate, jobs and justice. Join the Peoples Climate Movement. Be part of the global movement that's ending the era of fossil fuels and working for a socially just clean-energy economy. We will gather at Lutheran Calvary Church, 8632 Hwy 51N, Minocqua, between 9:15-9:30am. Then we'll march to Torpy Park for a rally. Bring creative signs and lots of enthusiasm! All environmental & social justice groups encouraged to join & bring signs! For more information, visit riseforclimate.org or email our.wisconsin.northwoods@gmail.com.
  - Friend of the Earth, As you know, we have launched a new global warming activism group, "Northwoods Climate Action Network." That group now has its own Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/northwoods.climate.action">https://www.facebook.com/northwoods.climate.action</a> The page will have regular postings on climate change news as well as announcements of local events. Please "Like" the page so we can keep everyone informed and engaged.

As a reminder, we are hosting a **march and rally at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8**. We keep accumulating co-sponsors, and at this point our speakers include someone from the Sierra Club and the Northern Wisconsin Center for Working People.

Please spread the word and encourage people to come!

- -David Barnhill
- MOVIE NIGHT TO RESUME: The Hospitality Committee wants movie night to resume. We will start having movies again on the third Tuesday of the month. Come at 6 and movie will start around 6:30. Bring your own snacks, drinks or even your dinner.
- Mark your calendars! The fall clean up of our section of Hwy 47 will take place on Sat., Sept. 29 at 10:00 a.m. Meet at Hwy 47 and Cty F on north side of highway. Bags and safety vests are provided, please bring work gloves. So far, only a few people have signed up, so we need MORE HELP! Contact Connie Lefebvre at cnn.lef@gmail.com or 715-358-2470. Thank you!
- HEART OF WISCONSIN WALK: Celebrating Diversity. Recognizing that we are one.
   At 1:00 p.m. on Sept. 29th, hundreds of people will gather together to walk in a show of unity and respect at The Highground in Neillsville, Wisconsin.

"We believe that most people want to walk in a good way," said Gary Kmeicik (HunkpApa Lakota) one of the walk organizers and a Viet Nam vet. "The political rhetoric of

meanness and divisiveness isn't what America is about. We want to invite everyone to join us in highlighting the goodness that is at our core."

"Two years ago several of us joined together at the Highground to celebrate diversity and to walk with respect and it's time to underscore that message again. We are just about done with a mini-documentary about the event and we thank all of those who walked with us," added Carol Amour, another of the event organizers.

They are planning to hold a second walk this fall in partnership with the Highground, a unique site in Central Wisconsin that honors the service of men and women who have sacrificed to protect our freedoms. Everyone is invited to join in, walking one-half to 2 miles followed by a celebration of diversity with ceremony and song.

"We'll be contacting veterans groups, college and university multicultural groups, and all the tribes in the state to invite them help share the word," added Amour.

A spoken word slam and sing along, and a showing of the rough cut of "the Heart of Wisconsin Walk: Celebrating Diversity" is scheduled for Aug. 29th in Lac du Flambeau Wisconsin. Donations will be greatly appreciated. They will help pay the filmmaker; pay for promoting the event; and provide water, tee shirts, and refreshments for the day of the event. Organizers, who are donating their time, hope to have at least 500 participants this year.

Call 715-439-3078 or email amourcarol@yahoo.com for more information or to volunteer your help.

- HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE REPORT: The Hospitality Committee is organizing a cookout potluck for Sept. 30 after the service. We will have grills ready for you to cook anything. Come and enjoy a get together after the service and bring a dish to pass.
- If you have an announcement you wish to include in the Sunday bulletin pleases send it to Dick Fields, <a href="mailto:atdmafields@yahoo.com">atdmafields@yahoo.com</a>.
- Building and Grounds Report: The building and grounds committee has been busy.
  We have a new dishwasher in the kitchen. We also have a new lawnmower. We
  are investigating making our Fellowship an electric vehicle charging station. And
  we are planning to put lines in the parking lot to make it easier to park cars in an
  efficient manner. We've got a lot of room for parking if we just use it properly.
- NUUF 2018 Auction Results: Thanks to all the people involved in setting it up, all
  the people who donated and to all the people who attended we had another very
  successful auction. Cheryl Hanson did a great job as always at the mic. with total
  proceeds of \$3,379.

### **Our NUUF Community**

If you know someone who is interested in joining the *Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Fellowship*, please contact Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencan@yahoo.com">sorencan@yahoo.com</a> or call 715-892-2997.

Check out our website http://nuuf.com. Also take time to "LIKE" us on Facebook. Click here on <u>Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Fellowship</u> for direct access if you already have a Facebook account. We're posting pictures, reminders about upcoming events and more.

### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Newsletter

Hello everyone, I will be compiling the newsletter for the foreseeable future! Please send announcements and updates to me, Carly Ratliff, at <a href="mailto:carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com">carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com</a> or to Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencements">sorencements</a> and updates to me, Carly Ratliff, at <a href="mailto:carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com">carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com</a> or to Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencements">sorencements</a> and updates to me, Carly Ratliff, at <a href="mailto:carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com">carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com</a> or to Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencements">sorencements</a> and updates to me, Carly Ratliff, at <a href="mailto:carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com">carly.j.ratliff@gmail.com</a> or to Candy Sorensen at <a href="mailto:sorencements">sorencements</a> and <a href="mailto:sorencements">sorencemen

by Sept. 28 for the September newsletter. It is very helpful if your copy is written exactly the way you want it to read so that it can be copied and pasted. Thank you!

08/29/18 From Randy Wendt - President

Members of Northwoods Unitarian Universalists of Woodruff: In line with the discussion of surplus Fellowship funds at the Annual Meeting, the Board is creating an Ad Hoc Committee to help decide how to use these funds, which total approximately \$25,000. To help in this process, we have asked the Finance,



Religious Education, Membership, Building and Grounds and Social Justice committees to appoint one representative to serve on Committee. We are also seeking two volunteers to serve as at-large members of the Committee, for total of seven. If more than two people volunteer for the at-large positions, the members will be chosen at random.

The committee's task will be to survey the fellowship for input and ideas, and to gather data on the costs of each proposed item, including projections of longer-term costs. For example, a salary for an employee, or the purchase of an item requiring regular maintenance, would have a continuing impact on our budget and would require larger contributions from members in following years.

The Board will present the results of the Committee's work to the Fellowship at the Annual Meeting in May 2019. The Board would like the Committee to submit its report to the Board by March 1, 2019. Please let me know if you are interested in serving on this committee as an at-large representative at <a href="https://www.wendt9333gmail.com">wendt9333gmail.com</a>, 715-356-1092 or in person by 09/30/18.

Thank you, Randy