Future Events:
Sunday, April 27, 1969 10:30 am.
Sermon: The times They are a changin' or Why I am not A Liberal

Some persons may object to use of word sermon. Frankly, I could care less. While I feel no need to speak every Sunday or even most of the Sundays in my own church. When I speak, I speak my own ideas and call the presentation a sermon. I would point out this is not a lecture. Unfortunately, many Unitarian lay persons and ministers don't know the difference. Since, I have as much conflict with liberals as with conservatives, I am aware that both groups are often embarrassed by my existence in their midst. Some persons, even question my Unitarianism, which is their problem. I believe the survival of Unitarian Universalism is based on its traditional openness to new ideas, concepts, and terms, rather than a preoccupation with its own history. The sermon this week will present some of my feelings and ideas on this age and some possible directions for individuals.

Sunday, April 20, 1969
The above date is no mistake. Last Sunday's program was the result of many hours of labor and not my labor. Marcia Geer organized the materials, and the program, Bill Burns, Ted Peters and I help in some small ways. The program was advertised in my name not out of my love for publicity, but because I felt on the basis of past experience in this society (last fall) if we said the program would deal with Religious education many persons would stay away. If you enjoyed the program, let Marcia know rather than me.

Sunday, May 4, 1969
Kite Flying date on Prairie site located on Raymond Rd.
This family (individual adults and children welcome) celebration of what we hope will be a beautiful spring day is open to all. Individuals are encouraged to bring picnic lunch for each person in their family and remain during early afternoon. I understand there will be some rewards going to persons with various kinds of kites and some contests. Additional information may be obtained from Dianne Stevens, 257-0754

SUNDAY EVENING, May 4, 1969 Prairie Potluck. Details related on separate sheet.

Minister-on-Loan Program—March 18-April 30.
As it stands now I will be returning to N. Olmsted on wed, April 30th.
I plan to spend Night in Cleveland and then drive to Lexington, Ky.

Monday, May 5, 5:30 0 9-12 grade Youth in Prairie are invited to dinner at Shaker, courtesy of minister. Please let me know if you plan to go on Sunday morning or by calling before 3 o'clock on Monday. 233-3881. We can arrange some kind of transportation.

INTEREST FORMS—Would you return these to Karen Peters or Marcia Geer?

Survey? Survey? I did not know we would have so many surveys. This certainly indicates the need for some coordination. I received a few such questionnaires.

A—Please give your reason or reasons for participating in the Prairie Society.

"small sunday school, discussion-type programs, closeness or involvement of the group, being able to actually be involved in the growth and development of a group"

"Madison needs and can support more Unitarianism than a single church. Our success will not only provide additional opportunity for presenting liberal religion, but increase its variety."

"Persons respect one another's opinions in a liberal sense—Persons discuss topics that interest me—I think I want to know the people in this group."

News from First Church—Unitarian Gala Dinner, May 7th. Additional information and tickets may be obtained from Sydney Mannering, 3202 Bluff St. 238-2829.

Annual Meeting in May, Don't forget to mark date, election of officers, voting on By-laws, etc.

Congregational Meeting—April 19th, minutes are included with this mailing also information UU service committee.

"What light is to the eyes—what air is to the lungs—What love is to the heart, liberty is to the soul of man."

R. G. Ingersoll, Progress

"Happy the man, and happy he alone,
He who can call to-day his own;
He who, secure within can say:
"to-morrow do thy worst, for I have liv'd to-day."

—Horace

Thus endth the newsletters typed by R. Lanier. Cænce. hodie mihi, cras tibi.