

Prairie Fire Bulletin

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The **Prairie Fire**

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Calendar

Wednesday, April 7, 2010

6:00 pm - Adult Ed committee meeting.

Saturday, April 10, 2010

9:00 am - WOW (Prairie's Women's Group) meets for breakfast potluck.

Sunday, April 11, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am – service- "Who Is My Neighbor," Presented by Jim Jaeger, UU minister in training.

Thursday, April 15, 2010

Prairie Fire articles and other items due.

Saturday, April 17, 2010

5:00 pm - Spring Fling RE event!

Sunday, April 18, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE committee meeting.

10:00 am – service- "Breaking Ground - Planting Seeds" (working title), presented by Robert Pierce.

11:45 am - Prairie Board meeting; potluck at 11:45, meeting begins upstairs at noon. 11:45 am - Humanist Union meets; potluck at 11:45, program downstairs at 12:30.

Wednesday, April 21, 2010

7:00 pm - Program committee meets at Prairie.

Thursday, April 22, 2010

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Prudence Barber.

Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "The Boston Pilgrimage," presented by the Prairie High School RE class.

11:45 am - Prairie Book club meets to discuss <u>The Gate to Women's Country</u> by Sheri Tepper.

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

Looking Further Ahead: May 16th, Spring Parish Meeting; May 30th 3pm Memorial Service for Mary Lou Diehl; Sept. 17-19, Prairie Fall Retreat.

Upcoming Programs

Prairie Web Sites:

Home Page www.uuprairie.org

News Group http://groups.yahoo. com/group/prairie news/

Views http://groups.yahoo. com/group/prairie views/

Social Action http://socialaction.madisonwi.us

Humanist Union http://humanist. madisonwi.us

Input Deadlines:

Calendar items and program descriptions are due on the 1st and 15th of each month. Feature articles for the full *Prairie Fire* are due on the 15th of each month. Please send to Kate Liu at admin@uuprairie.org or call 271-8218.

Sunday, April 11, 2010, 10:00 am: "Who Is My Neighbor? Morals and Ethics in Public Policy," presented by Jim Jaeger. As the health care debate progresses, we hear a lot about insurance exchanges, public options, "death panels" and the like. In all of this focus on the details the broader issues of morality and health care policy are lost in the noise. Jim Jaeger, seminary student at Meadville Lombard Theological Seminary and long time member of First Unitarian Society will talk about the moral and ethical debate that must underly our public conversation about health care reform.

Sunday, April 18, 2010, 10:00 am: "Breaking Ground - Planting Seeds", presented by Robert Pierce. Robert Pierce, market manager of the South Madison Farmer's Market, will be with us to celebrate Earth Day. He will be talking about planning for the Resilience Center, a project that will transform a vacant school building on Madison's Southside into a state-of-the art urban agriculture and community center campus. http://badgerschool.org Robert was born and raised on Madison's South side and as the owner of Half the 40 Acres, he has been growing and selling produce for over 20 years. Robert started as a vendor at the South Madison Farmers Market in 2002 and has been the Market Manager since 2003. He is a community leader and advocate in the development of sustainable locally grown food systems.

Sunday, April 25, 2010, 10:00 am: "The Boston Pilgrimage," presented by the Prairie High School RE class. The high school class, led by teacher Barb Park, has been taking part in the Coming of Age curriculum provided by the Church of the Larger Fellowship. They have spent the year learning about our seven UU principles, history of Unitarianism, Universalism and the merger. They've also learned about various forms of spirituality and had different people from the congregation come and talk to the students about their beliefs and practices. As an end to the class Barb took the students on a pilgrimage to Boston to see where it all began. While spending their nights in the Eliot & Pickett Houses (the UUA's B&B) they took a tour of the UUA, had a meeting with the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries and took the heritage walk through Boston. The students have learned about the structure of a UU service and have selected the readings and music for this service. They will tell us what they have learned and their experience at our UU birthplace.

Sunday, May 2, 2010, 10:00 am: "Terratheism: A New Way to View Science and Religion," presented by Andrew Kerr. An exploration of terratheism, the belief that Earth's community of life has a lot to tell us about the nature of God, because Earth's living things struggle to achieve God's hopes as the means to succeed in the struggle for life. Our presenter, Andrew Kerr, is the Speaker with the Free Congregation of Sauk County. Andrew and his wife, Jennifer, operate Greenspirit Farm, near Dodgeville, a family run farm specializing in a wide variety of lovingly grown organic vegetables and small fruits.



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