



Prairie Fire Bulletin

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Calendar

Sunday, June 6, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Reverend Abhi Janamanchi: Faith in the Borderland," presented by Rachel Long.

11:30 am - All-Society potluck.

12:00 pm - Joint Board Meeting, outdoors at Prairie (indoors downstairs if poor weather.)

12:30 pm - Humanist Union presents photographer John Rummel; all are welcome.

Tuesday, June 8, 2010

7 pm - H&P committee meets at Prairie.

Saturday, June 12, 2010

9 am - WOW (Prairie's women's group) meets for breakfast potluck and conversation.

Sunday, June 13, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "The Flower Communion and Capek's Gift," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

Sunday, June 20, 2010

10:00 am – service - "Father's Day," presented by Nick Abts.

11:45 am - Retirement Party for Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

Monday, June 21, 2010

6:00 pm - Humanist Union will celebrate World Humanist Day with potluck supper.

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck, at the home of Kate Tucker, 4504 Camden Rd.

Tuesday, June 22, 2010

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

Sunday, June 27, 2010

9:00 am – service - "General Assembly LIVE," presented by Nick Abts.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery.

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

7:00 pm - Program Committee meeting.

Looking Ahead:

Sunday, July 25 - Joint Service with Sauk City UU

Friday, September 10 - 60th Anniversary Party for Rose and Galen Smith.

Fri, Sep. 17 - Sun, Sep. 19 - Prairie Family Retreat at Pine Lake Camp, Westfield, WI.

Upcoming Programs

Sunday, June 6, 2010, 10:00 am: "Reverend Abhi Janamanchi: Faith in the

Borderland," presented by Rachel Long. This is the third of Rachel Long's lay ministry with sermons on DVD from some of the most interesting and inspiring ministers the UUA has to offer. In this last presentation, Reverend Abhi Janamanchi of the Clearwater, Florida congregation will give the sermon "Faith in the Borderland." As an Indian American UU he has experienced many borders between cultures and often felt the outsider. Hear about his journey in search of a true religious home, and the multiple identities we all experience as Unitarian Universalists. In addition, today we will also be having a child dedication.

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>

Sunday, June 13, 2010, 10:00 am: "The Flower Communion and Capek's Gift,"

presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski. We celebrate the beginning of Summer by observing one of our Unitarian Universalists most cherished rituals: The Flower Communion. I will also be offering my reflection on one of Norbert Capek's core philosophical principles: That our lived experience is not determined by Fate or Chance, irreversible and beyond our ability to change, but that daily we can choose the spiritual temperament of our lives.

Sunday, June 20, 2010, 10:00 am: "Father's Day," presented by Nick Abts. Father's

Day is rarely celebrated so much as its female counterpart, but fatherhood plays an important role in the lives of many UUs. But what does it mean to be a father? What role does our participation in Unitarian Universalism at Prairie play in the raising of our children? Join members of Prairie to discuss the role of Unitarian Universalism in parenthood generally and fatherhood specifically on a special day for dads everywhere. Nicholas Abts has been a member of Prairie for a little over a year. He is a financial professional, a lawyer, a husband, and a proud father.

Sunday, June 27, 2010, 9:00 am: "General Assembly," presented by Nick Abts.

General Assembly is here again, and provides another opportunity for Prairie to reestablish its Unitarian Universalist connections. *Come to Prairie one hour earlier for a live viewing of the Sunday Worship at GA*, featuring UUA President Peter Morales. The theme of the program will be "Our Greatest Challenge", wherein President Morales will discuss the future, spiritual and otherwise, of the UUA.

Sunday, July 4, 2010, 10:00 am: "Reclaiming the Flag: What We Love About Our

Country," presented by Mary Mullen. Many UU's have trouble engaging with the flag of our country because of its association with militarism, war, and extreme political views. But, isn't it our flag too? Should we surrender the flag to those who use it as a symbol for aggressive views and behaviors, or should we reclaim it for better purposes? Mary Mullen will offer some personal reflections on these issues and invite you to share your views. Mary Mullen is a former teacher and a long-time member of Prairie.

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.



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