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**SAT**
AUGUST 21
1 pm

PLAY-READING and hiking, etc., at Parrish's cabin near Blue mounds. Potluck dinner about 6:30, beverages provided.
Overnighters bring sleeping bags, Sunday breakfast provided.
Everyone welcome for any part of the above, no reservations necessary.
Call Parrish 238-1725 for directions to cabin.

**SAT**
AUG. 21
10 am

CANOE TRIP Family overnight trip on Wisconsin river, starting at Lone Rock. Consensus of last trip was we need more of them. Call Barbara or Neillie Willard 256-2801 for details.

**TUES**
AUG. 17
5:30 pm

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT picnic at Rock of Gibraltar Park. Meet in parking lot. Call Lilo Koehl for combining rides and more information.

**TUES**
AUG. 24

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT site is Yellowstone Lake. A full day outing has been proposed, check with Lilo.

**SAT**
AUG. 28
5 pm

GOING AWAY PARTY for Kathy Urberg at Laurence's, 9 Mound Road, Verona. Bring food and boots for picnic. Kathy will be teaching at Wayne State in Detroit and Marty will commute. For directions, call Terri Laurence 845-7817.

**SUN**
AUG. 28
10 am

JOINT SERVICE with First Society at the Meeting House on University Bay Drive. Richard Perry will present his service on Universalism, discussion will follow. There will be a potluck meal afterward. Bring a dish to pass and your own plate and utensils.

**TUES**
AUG. 31
5:30 pm

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT at Lake Mendota County Park. Meet at parking lot. Lilo Koehl.

**SUN**
SEPT 12
10 am

SUNDAY SERVICE at Portal UU. First meeting of the new church year, given by Mike Briggs, our fall lay minister.

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**NEW BABY** Vicki and David Lissman are the parents of Briana Maureen, born July 30. Mother and baby are both doing well, and invite the parish to share their happiness.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** I want to leave you hanging on the cliff: Religious education has planned and staffed an outstanding fall program. Details in next "Fire."

**Theron Caldwell, Director of Religious Ed.**

**LOST AND FOUND** Items left at the Davi~ lake party can be claimed by calling
John Lewis at 266-3479 or 238-8666. List includes fork, spatula, small girl's leather sandals, thermos (red and white) and blue and white checked towel.

FOR RENT Rachel Siegfried wants one or two people to share her house with her and David. Large bedroom, queen size bed, dressing area with shower and ½ bath, study for exclusive use, own refrigerator and kitchen privileges, lots of storage, starting September 1. 271-2173.

PLAYREADING New chairperson is Sue Cohen. Persons interested in getting together once a month to read plays and other dramatic events should call 257-7762. An outing to see Irma La Douce has been mentioned.

AUCTION for the American Cancer Society starts at 8 am, August 21 at the Wolff Kubly building on the square. New or usable items are needed, donations are tax deductible. 836-7691.

SINGLES can join the U-U Singles group, which sponsors area wide gatherings and programs. Contact Theron Caldwell if interested. 255-9974.

PRAIRIE SITE acquisition was supported by most families answering the questionnaire, and varying sums of money were promised for the alternative plans to achieve this. Work is continuing on the actual implementation of a plan. The Executive Board has voted to proceed with the alternative which guarantees the present owners that they will be bought out gradually. Thanks are due to Lois Young for her sterling efforts getting the results tabulated, as well as telephoning slow responders.

PRAIRIE FIRE will be edited by Terri Laurence from now on. The regular deadline will be every other Sunday night, starting August 19. Please give items to Terri in writing, with a name and phone number on them so she can get in touch with the contributor if she needs to. We are very lucky to get someone of Terri's calibre and professional training to take over this job and wish her the best.

EDITOR'S FAREWELL This is the last issue of Prairie Fire that I will be composing. As many of you know, my editorship has coincided with a very difficult time for me personally, and I can't leave the editorship without trying to express my gratitude for the love and support which has been showered on me by the Prairie community. Its comfort and concern for me has been a great source of strength and hope, and I am amazed and grateful. You are a wonderful group of people, and I love you.

Barbara
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