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*CALENDAR*

May 21
Sunday........A Celebration of the ending of another year: the beginning of our summers.
10 am FAMILY PROGRAM to be held at Portal Foster, 1806 West Lawn. See you all!
immediately following - Plan NOW to celebrate Spring - with a Prairie picnic at Ann and
Clark Wright-Edwards home in the Arboretum. Brats will be provided. Bring
a salad or dessert to add to the fare. You can follow the picnic with bad­
minton, a stroll through the Arboretum, or stretching out on the lawn. No
rain date - please come no matter what the weather (whether?)! Directions
are as follows: from Mills Street; take Arboretum Drive around Lake Wingra,
left on Covall to top of hill, left on Marshall to the only BLUE house in
the Arboretum. The house number is 2530 Marshall Parkway. More directions
at Prairie on Sunday, including 'visual aids' to guide you (a map).

May 22
Monday........BOARD MEETING at Carsons farm, Vilas Road, Cottage Grove. This is a JOINT
7.20 pm MEETING of both the OLD & NEW boards. It is vitally important that every­
one attends. Dessert and coffee. Please see note below, on this page.

May 27
Saturday......PLAYREADING at Rachel Siegfrieds, 5209 Tolman Terrace. Everyone is welcome!
7.30 pm

June 7
Wednesday......Program Committee meeting - all invited to plan for Prairie Summer. See you
7.30 pm at the Nettletons, 645 Sheldon Street, 238-6053.

BOARD MEMBERS

All outgoing chairs and members
should write (better yet, type) a report
of their activities and advice about the
position to be given to the incoming Sec­
tary, Mary Sarko. She will duplicate
it and send it, along with the past re­
ports, to the new members of the Board.
This is to be done annually.

BEWARE the BARRELS!
Several Sundays ago an accident with
one of the large barrels in the side yard
resulted in 5 stitches for one of our
children. Caution is recommended!

Send news to P.O. Box 5485, 53705. NOW!

HARVESTING SEALS

Due to space limitations the pre­
vious Prairie Fire carried only an abbre­
viated statement about seal harvesting.
Metje Butler wishes you to know that she
will provide a full statement to anyone
who is interested. Call her at 244-3659.

SPRING PARISH MEETING
NOTES

There were 24 people present at the
meeting this year. Items on the agenda
were: I. Election of new officers to the
Board, II. Old items of business - left
over from 1977, III. Action on proposed
changes to the by-laws, IV. Meeting
adjourned. See you there next year!
Newest addition to our library is the booklet "From the Pulpit: Thirteen sermons on Sex ETC", by the Rev. Marjorie Newlin (ETC stands for love, liberation, open-mindedness and mystery). One of fewer than 20 women presently serving UU pulpits, she has been minister of the UU Church of Santa Paula since 1969. An avowed feminist, she is also sympathetic to the plight of the male, believing he too is in need of liberation. She wonders what will become of our children, some of whom are victims of unliberated mothers, and some of whom may be the victims of the liberation movement. Her thesis is that a wife and husband must both share in the roles of provider and child carer, with equal opportunities and responsibilities in both areas.

Wondering about reading a book of sermons? One reviewer has said these read like chapters in a book. The RE committee invites you to explore this and other books from our library, which is presently located in the cinderblock bookcase in the main room. Follow the easy sign out instruction and enjoy one of our many books with your children today!

No man is an island, but neither are men identical"grains of sand, that together become a desert.

RE UPDATE

The Social Action Committee has spent its funds in a donation to the Women's Medical assistance and now has urgent need of contributions to supplement its treasury. Since everyone on the committee is too busy this month to organize a festival to raise money, we decided to beg all of you to give whatever you can next Sunday.

SOCIAL ACTION

Quotes

Lines quoted by Charlie Davidson on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary of Prairie, taken from his service on "Retrospection and Anticipation", June 2, 1968:

The great dilemma is this: how much must a man give up of that which makes him an individual, in order that he join with others to build a group? And how much may he give up without losing an irreplaceable of himself?

How should a group design itself, and conduct itself, that it become a community which is greater than an individual, yet one in which an individual can feel greater than when alone?