Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

As the prairie stretches out until it becomes one with the sky, let us reach out to touch and be one with the natural world, and with one another. *Prairie's Bond of Union*

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CALENDAR

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23**
10:00 a.m. -- Quakerstyle service. Come prepared for a very different Sunday experience.
10:00 a.m. -- Baby & child care

**FRIDAY, JUNE 28**
6:30 p.m. -- Playreaders annual fish fry: meet at McKee's Restaurant, see story for details.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30**
NO SERVICE AT PRAIRIE -- PICNIC AT GRINDROD'S, SEE STORY

**SUNDAY, JULY 7**
NO SERVICE AT PRAIRIE
10:00 a.m. -- Inter-religious service to open the Peace Festival at Gates of Heaven Synagogue, James Madison Park.

**MONDAY, JULY 8**
7:30 p.m. -- Men's Group Meeting at Bill Fetzner's, 1717 Redwood Lane, 273-4843.

**SUNDAY, JULY 14**
9:00 a.m. -- Breakfast Potluck
10:00 a.m. -- Socially Conscious Personal Investing with Paul Olson

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 1: THE PRAIRIE PLAYREADERS THEATER PARTY FOR THE AMERICAN PLAYERS THEATER'S "MERCHANT OF VENICE". More details later.

NEXT PRAIRIE FIRE DEADLINE: JUNE 30

Congratulations to Casey Steinau, who was recently elected to the National Youth Council of the Y.R.U.U. for a two year term.
NOTES FROM A MEMO FROM PRAIRIE'S SECRETARY

...The Board meets monthly and all meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend. If you think you may be interested in holding an office at Prairie, or serving on a committee, attending a Board meeting might be a good way of observing how Prairie works. I have tried...to post the Board minutes on the Bulletin Board behind the information table so that you might read what is going on. Within a few weeks, I shall...begin to post minutes for the current church year. Of course, in the meantime, when something really momentous occurs at a Board meeting, I also try to get the news to you in Prairie Fire. Within the past month, several important decisions have been made at the Annual Parish meeting, and again at the joint meeting of the old and new Executive Boards, which may be of interest:

1. The revised by-laws, with only one amendment, were accepted. The amendment consisted of changing "stricken" in Article IV, A,3, to "lined-out-of."

2. Prairie passed the resolution to reaffirm its commitment to the Sanctuary Project, and the St Francis House was so notified.

3. The new Committee-on-Committees consists of the following members: Ann Reardon (continuing member), Metje Butler, Mike Briggs, and David McKee (elected from the floor at the annual meeting. The member from the Board has not yet been elected.

4. Cindy LaMar and Casey Steinau were selected as the official Prairie delegates to the General Assembly.

5. Under the new By-laws, the official membership at Prairie is now 298, as contrasted with 122 under the old By-laws.

Pat Watkins

ALL FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO A FAMILY PEACE FESTIVAL

On Sunday, June 23, at Orchard Ridge United Church of Christ, 1501 Gilbert Rd., starting at 2 p.m., there will be a family peace festival sponsored by The Wisconsin Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign and the Peace Committee of Orchard Ridge United Church of Christ. The invitation reads, "Come rain or shine". They mention that nursery care will be provided.

The opening ceremony will be at 2 p.m. with greetings and peace songs. Also writing peace messages for "Balloon Send-off". From 2:30 until 4:30 when there will be a closing ceremony, there will be many activities to choose from and to participate in. For details call 271-7212 or 271-6606.

SOCIAFLY RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL INVESTING

On Sunday, July 14, the Prairie service will be on the topic, Socially Responsible Financial Investing by Paul Olson.

For Prairie members who have extra funds to invest and want to "put their money where their mouth is," there are some good alternatives to supporting socially irresponsible enterprises.

The Pax World Fund which "endeavors through its investment objectives to make a contribution to world peace..." and the Calvert Social Investment Fund which "seeks to provide growth of capital or current income through investment in enterprises that make a significant contribution to society through their products and services and through the way they do business" will be discussed July 14.

Madisonian Paul Olson, a consultant in socially responsible investing, will present these options and provide time for questions.

Prairie member John Ohliger will be one of the participants at a retreat for people in the Alternative and Transformational movements to be held at Rangely, a four season resort in Maine. The retreat will take place from July 21 to August 17.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

People are wanted for all new standing committees being formed now. Call the new committee chairpersons or Rick at 238-2924 to volunteer.

CHANGE YOUR PRAIRIE DIRECTORY

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PIANO OUT OF TUNE? KEYES THAT DON'T WORK?

Warren Park will be visiting again the first week in July and is looking for piano tuning and repair jobs. Call Bob or Barb Park at 635-7519.