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

Prairie Smoke (Sieversia flora)

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DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT PRAIRIE FIRE WILL BE SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH. SUBMIT NOTICES FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 19TH - JUNE 25TH.

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 7
10:00 AM - "FREEDOM AND COMMUNITY - Reflections on the Free Church Tradition" Max Gaebler
11:30 AM - POTLUCK LUNCH - bring a dish to share - and an appetite!

Tuesday, June 9
5:00 PM - LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE meets at the meeting house.

Sunday, June 14
NO SERVICE AT PRAIRIE! VISIT ANOTHER CHURCH - (see related story)

Tuesday, June 16
5:30 PM - PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING and potluck meal at Jim Novak's house, 2117 Linden St

Sunday, June 21
10:00 AM - GROUP DISCUSSION ABOUT THE RELIGIOUS SERVICES VISITED ON THE 14TH (or watched on TV).

Sunday, June 28
10:00 AM - "LIVING WITH RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES" - Carla Blum-Aslam & Sahail Aslam.

Pat Cautley
4805 Regent St.
Madison, WI 53705

TO CHANGE ADDRESS OR STOP PRAIRIE FIRE, PLEASE CALL 274-3248

Sunday, July 5
11:00 AM - Interfaith Service at Olin Park, part of the Peace Fest.

Sunday, July 26
4:00 PM - Theatre Party and Picnic at American Players Theatre. (see related story)

Potluck Lunch

There will be a potluck lunch at Prairie after Max Gaebler's service on June 7th. Don't miss this display of culinary creativity and gustatory delight.

Visit a Different Church

As part of preparation for a congregational discussion on June 21, the Program Committee urges you to visit another religious group on Sunday, June 14th. We suggest that you make plans with other Prairie folk and go to one of the following:

- Friends Meeting - 1709 Roberts Ct. 11 AM (child care)
- Unity - 4607 Winnequah, Monona 9:15 AM (child care)
- Mt. Zion Baptist - 2019 Fisher St. 10:45 AM (children welcome at service)
- Trinity Lutheran - 1904 Winnebago St. 9:15 or 10:45 AM (child care)
- John the XXIII - at St. Benedicts 9:30 AM
Women’s Alliance to visit APT

First Unitarian’s Women’s Alliance invites Prairie women, men, and children to an outing to the American Players Theatre on Sunday, June 21, to see Shakespeare’s "TWELFTH NIGHT". Reservations must be made by Monday, June 8, to Eleanor Brown, 2817 Van Hise Ave., Madison, WI 53705.

The outing includes bus transportation leaving from First Society at 3:30 PM ($10.00), a box lunch if desired ($5.95-7.95), and the performance at 6:00 PM ($8.00 for children, students, and persons age 62 or over; $11.00 for all others). Check the bulletin board at Prairie for details or you may call Eleanor Brown at 233-0235.

Social Action Notes

Support the Drop In Shelter
You can aide the homeless of Madison by being a Prairie volunteer at the shelter on the fourth Monday of each month (evening or morning shift). Please call Lance Green, 249-5979, to sign up. We still need people for our next turn on Monday, June 22nd.

Interfaith Service at Olin Park
Prairie folks are once again invited to attend the interfaith Worship Service, a traditional part of the July 4th Peace Festival, being held outside this year (inside if needed) at Olin Park. As before, the expressions of several religions will give us a chance to "broaden our awareness". Call Lance Green at 249-5979 for more information.

AMUSE Yourself at Lake Geneva

The Lake Geneva Singles Week (June 21-28) is a unique vacation for single U-U adults and friends. It combines lots of fun and companionship with opportunities for personal growth. There are brochures at Prairie, or phone Mary Lou Diehl at 233-4357 or 246-6127 for details. Space is still available.

Picnic Theatre at APT

Make your reservations and mark your calendars for an all-Prairie theatre party on Sunday, July 26. The American Players Theatre production of "HAMLET" will be starring Randall Duk Kim and will be directed by our own Ted Swetz. We’ll meet at 4PM for a picnic on the grounds at Spring Green and the play will begin at 6PM.

Please contact Dorothy Wetherby at 285-3636 to reserve tickets for this date, which is likely to sell out soon.

Did You Know--?

According to Architect Ed Solner, it would cost nearly $400,000 to build the building we now have at today’s prices in the Madison area. That estimate puts a new perspective on the cost of the very modest improvements embodied in the plan attached to this newsletter.

Teachers Needed

The RE Committee still needs teachers for the ’87-’88 school year. The K-1-2 group (7-9 children) will be using "The Adventures of God’s Folk", a curriculum based on Biblical and North American folk traditions. The 3-4-5 group (14 children) will be using "Holidays and Holy Days", a curriculum based on the origins and meanings of different holidays and holy days. The 6-7-8 group (6-9 children) will be working with "World Religions", a new UU curriculum. Please contact Alison McKee (238-3302) or Barb Golden (231-1490) or Aileen Nettleton (238-6053) if you are interested in teaching.
R. E. Corner

R. E. needs Volunteers
During the summer months, we have no regularly scheduled R. E. classes. The R. E. Committee would like volunteers to supervise the children during the summer services. We ask that one adult sign up on the sign-up sheet for each Sunday that Prairie has a service. On "your" Sunday, plan an indoor activity (possibly a game or craft project) and an outdoor activity for children ages 5-13. (The older children like to be assistants and help the younger ones.) If you would like to volunteer, please call Alison McKee at 238-3302.

High School Nursery Helper Wanted
Beginning July 12, the nursery will be looking for a high school student to take care of children in the nursery. This is a paying job and has possibilities of continuing to be open for the 87-88 school year. If you are interested, please call Alison McKee at 238-3302 for details.

TEACHERS PLEASE NOTE
Please return all curriculums to Alison or leave them in the R. E. office on the desk.

International Art and Artifact Sale
I will be leaving the country soon, and must sell a lot of my household effects. There will be many bargains at extremely remarkable prices. Sale items include camera and video equipment and various appliances. The sale will be held at my home-

6509 University Avenue, #202
Middleton, WI
2 PM to 6 PM
Saturday, June 13, 1987

- Dave Zakem

Address Change Corrected
Bob and Barbara Park’s new address was listed in the last Prairie Fire, but the last four digits of the Zip Code were not correct. The complete CORRECT address is:

Bob and Barbara Park
W10804 Wildwood Way
Poynette, WI 53955-9471

Try a U. U. Camp This Year!
Looking for something new to do this Summer? Why not try a U. U. Camp? Young and old, singles and families, all can take part in Unitarian Camps and Conference Centers this summer and fall. For information on the following camps - Perry Beach (Maine), Unistar (Minnesota), The Mountain (North Carolina), and Lake Geneva (Wisconsin) - call Fredericka Schilling, 271-5192.

Vacuum Cleaner Needed!
Prairie’s vacuum cleaner has given up the ghost-- and a replacement is urgently needed. A sturdy upright type vacuum for cleaning rugs is needed most, but a tank type for other types of cleaning is also needed. If you have such a machine in good working order and would like to donate it to Prairie, please contact Building and Grounds Chairperson Pat Meller at 271-1214.
ADDITION/REMODELING COST PROJECTIONS

- DEMOLITION $3000.0
- LEVEL ENTRY $1500.0
- NEW CONSTRUCTION $28000.0
- RENO-FIRST FLOOR $2500.0
- KITCHEN EQUIP. $8000.0
- BASEMENT RENO. $2500.0
- LANDSCAPING/WALKS $3800.0

TOTAL BUILDING COST $49300.0
PARKING/CURB CUT $9000.0
$58300.0