

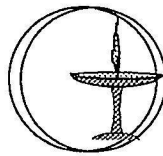
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The deadline for the next issue of **Prairie Fire** will be Sunday, December 31st. Submit items for January 4, 1990—January 18, 1990.

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 24

- 9:30 AM - Prairie Band Practice at the Meetinghouse.
10:00 AM - "INTERGENERATIONAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION" led by Donna Murdoch and Richard Bonser. (See related story)

Sunday, December 31

- 10:00 AM - PRAIRIE WINTER SPORTS DAY at Elver Park at the south end of Gammon Road—enjoy skating, sledding and cross-country skiing. (See related story)

Friday, January 5

- 7:00 PM - FRIDAY NIGHT VIDEO: "Before Stonewall". (See related story)

Sunday, January 7

- 10:00 AM - To Be Announced

Monday, January 8

- 7:00 PM - SPANISH SPEAKERS' POTLUCK at the Meetinghouse. (See related story)
7:30 PM - PROGRAM COMMITTEE meets at the Meetinghouse.

Sunday, January 14

- 10:00 AM - "DARK DAYS AND DAWN: Not a Straight History" by Mary Mullen and Fredericka Schilling.

Sunday, January 21

- 10:00 AM - "WE ARE A GENTLE, ANGRY PEOPLE", But Are We Ready To Be A Welcoming Congregation?" by Mary Mullen and Fredericka Schilling.

Thursday, January 25

- 12:00 N - CHANNING-MURRAY LUNCH at the Memorial Union. Look for Unitarian Student Group on "Today In The Union".

NEWS & VIEWS

A Joyful Noise

Any one who plays an instrument—guitar, accordion, french horn, trumpet, clarinet, harmonica, you name it!—is invited to join the Prairie Band. Come

each Sunday morning to practice a few numbers. Check the calendar to find out when practice time is. Call Mike Briggs (238-1227) or Mary Mullen (271-5192) if you have questions.

Winter Sports Day

Another Prairie tradition has developed over the past few years—a winter fun day on the Sunday after Christmas. This year, *Prairie's Family Winter Sports Outing* will be held at Elver Park in the City of Madison beginning at 11:00 AM on December 31st. Elver Park is located at the south end of Gammon Road about a mile south of the Beltline and West Towne Shopping Center.

There are good facilities for skating, sledding and cross-country skiing (or hiking, if we don't have enough snow). Toboggans are a more exciting alternative to sleds for those who have them. For more information and/or directions, call Julie Bonser at 274-3248.

Coffee Cleanup

The following persons have signed up to wash coffeepots and cups after Sunday services:

Dec. 24: Alice Bullen, Lea Heine
Jan. 7: Maria Hansa, David Ogren

Friday Night Video

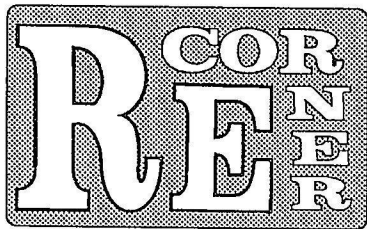
In George Calden's absence, Mary Mullen and Fredericka Schilling will be hosting the Friday Night Video sessions. The January 5th tape, "Before Stonewall", is a rich and evenhanded

...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

documentary of milestones in lesbian and gay history prior to the 1969 uprising against police harassment at new York's Stonewall gay bar. Entertaining, informative and thought-provoking, it would be good background for the Sunday service on January 14th called "Dark Days and Dawn—Not a Straight History".

Spanish Speakers' Potluck

Prairie's Spanish speakers will hold their monthly potluck on Monday, January 8th, at 7:00 PM at the Meetinghouse. The group is an informal group with all levels of ability represented. You are always welcome, regardless of your ability in Spanish and with or without a dish to share. If you are able to bring food, please call Orton Gray at 273-4041 and tell him what you're contributing to the potluck.



Interim:

There will be no regular R.E. classes on January 7th or 14th. Instead there will be interim session special projects on particular subjects. We need adults to

volunteer to lead a lesson on a particular interest of theirs with the children and young adults. Please contact Anne Pryor (244-7099) if you'd like to share some time with our youths.

The new RE semester will begin on January 21st.



Friendly Supper Club Meets

The Friendly Supper Club is a monthly interracial dinner group that meets on the first Monday of the month. There's no dues, no agenda, no officers— just the opportunity to join with old friends and make new ones over dinner. The next dinner will be January 8th at 6:30 PM at the Bonanza Restaurant at South Towne.

Share Your Good Fortune

There are two families in our immediate neighborhood that need our help to be properly nourished. Please bring your

donations on any Sunday and place them in the small room outside the Men's room. Foods that are **especially welcome** include **milk, fresh fruit, eggs, meat**, canned fruit and veggies and easy to fix dinners. These families also need shampoo, toothpaste, soap and other personal and home care products. **Remember our neighbors when you go shopping!**



For Rent—

Furnished room for rent, including kitchen and laundry privileges. Non-smokers only. Call Cinda LaMar at 238-9884.

Wanted:

Car storage space for the winter months. If you can help, call Cinda LaMar at 238-9884.

For Sale

Puch MoPed for sale cheap. Fair to good condition, but needs a tune-up. Best offer will be accepted. Call Mike or Norma Briggs at 238-1227.

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society 1989-90 Membership Survey

December 1, 1989

The Membership Committee is surveying Prairie members both in the Madison area and elsewhere to determine the official number of members to be reported to UUA headquarters in Boston by February 1, 1990. Please take a few moments to fill in the form below, even if you are an "old hand" and attend every week, as it will help us to have this record for all of our members in the Madison area.

Name(s) _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Children (Names and Birthdays—under 18 only)

(1) _____ (2) _____

(3) _____ (4) _____

Special talent(s) you wish to share (drama, dance, playing an instrument, computer skills, bookkeeping skills, woodworking, etc.):

Please either drop your completed form in the "Membership Survey" box at Prairie or mail it to:
Anne Urbanski, Attn: Prairie Membership, 317 N. Baldwin St., Madison, WI 53703
Please respond by Sunday, January 14th, 1990 at the latest! THANK YOU!!