



NATIONAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN TO BEGIN  
by the Rev. Jeff Briere

This month, I relinquish my column to the Rev. Bill Sinkford, President of the Unitarian Universalist Association. He writes:

I am delighted to share some exciting news with you today. We are preparing to launch the first national marketing campaign for Unitarian Universalism in fifty years!

Beginning in early October, as part of an effort to offer the good news of our faith to the larger world, the Unitarian Universalist Association will begin a partnership with *Time Magazine* and their website, <[www.time.com](http://www.time.com)>.

This partnership will include:

- Print ads in *Time Magazine*
- Advertorials — printed material that promotes Unitarian Universalism and directs readers to a web archive of *Time* articles focusing on current religious and ethical issues
- Customized information on <[www.time.com](http://www.time.com)> directing users to specially designed pages on our website, <[www.uua.org](http://www.uua.org)>.

This special campaign is designed to raise awareness of Unitarian Universalism and to share our unique message with a larger audience. Our partnership with *Time* will ensure that Unitarian Universalism is an important voice in the religious landscape. This initiative will be a highlight of our first-ever Association Sunday, to be celebrated in hundreds of congregations on and around October 14<sup>th</sup>. Association Sunday will offer all Unitarian Universalists an opportunity to support our movement's efforts to share the good news of our faith with a wider circle of seekers.

To help congregations in this vital work, we are providing many resources, including a comprehensive FAQ sheet, new hospitality tools, and much more. In addition, our congregations will soon receive a wonderful new DVD introducing Unitarian Universalism to visitors and spiritual seekers. This also will be a valuable tool for including new members. These innovative materials will help us reach a wider audience than ever before and I encourage you to find out more.

We will continue to update you as we approach the marketing launch in early October. These are exciting times for Unitarian Universalism as we step out into the world in a new way. I'd like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks in advance. Thank you for opening your doors, and your hearts, to the new possibilities on the horizon.

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SUNDAY SERVICES ♦ 11:00 AM

October 7<sup>th</sup> ♦ *SOME WORDS I LIVE WITH*

The Rev. Jeff Briere leads this service, in which he shares six words that guide his days.

October 14<sup>th</sup> ♦ *ASSOCIATION SUNDAY*

Today's service, held simultaneously in many Unitarian Universalist churches, is an opportunity to recognize and support the national work of the Unitarian Universalist Association. Today we will share the plate with the Unitarian Universalist Association's fund for development and outreach. See the article on p. 3 for more information.

October 21<sup>st</sup> ♦ *THE SCRIPTURE THAT PREACHERS AVOID*

The parable of the shrewd manager in Luke 16 has long concerned biblical scholars and preachers. It seems to signal God's approval of dishonesty. But there could be other interpretations. In preparation for the service, Rev. Jeff Briere asks that you read Luke 16, verses 1 through 13.

October 28<sup>th</sup> ♦ *COMING IN THE CLOUDS*

Marcia Swearingen will speak at this service. She is a local writer and editor who has made many contributions to Guideposts Magazine and Cup of Comfort Devotionals. She says, "It takes a great light to cast a long shadow. The longer we live, the greater our assurance there is a reason to hope."

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SUNDAY FORUMS

October 7<sup>th</sup> – **Issues of Death and Dying**, led by Helen Solomon

Helen Solomon will bring information about the new "Final Exit" organization in Ashville, which was announced in our September newsletter, and a report on the status of our local Funeral Consumer Alliance.

October 14<sup>th</sup> – **Fall Issue of *UU World***, led by Claire Hale.

Claire Hale is the moderator for our discussion of articles in our denomination's quarterly magazine.

October 21<sup>st</sup> - **Medical Ethics**, led by Dr. Lee Solomon.

UU Church member, psychiatrist Lee Solomon, will use Unitarian Universalist Association Beacon Press materials and his own experiences to address issues of medical ethics.

October 28<sup>th</sup> - **The Canon of the New Testament**

Jerry Smith, church member and a teacher in our religious education program, will continue his adult Bible Studies.

N.B. Please understand that some re-arranging of topics may be necessary to accommodate our presenters.

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## THE INTERDEPENDENT WEB

*by Steve Hollingsworth*

*If a man is offered a fact which goes against his instincts, he will scrutinize it closely, and unless the evidence is overwhelming, he will refuse to believe it. If, on the other hand, he is offered something which affords a reason for acting in accordance to his instincts, he will accept it even on the slightest evidence.*

~ BERTRAND RUSSELL

Katerina looked up at Kevin, “Mrrp?” She jumped into her lap and persisted, “Rowpp?” Kevin was definitely distracted. What kind of a topsy-turvy place was this? The governor had just announced the new policy for the state, cats or dogs, but never both.

A parade of talking heads continued. “Dog people do the real work of the world, but we are compassionate and tolerant so those who feel they must prop up their sorry souls with a cat, we’ll understand. But, please, save our dogs from all negative feline influences. They deserve better.

“Collies, heroes all! Golden retrievers, what better friends?! If you are a blessed and capable individual, there is no higher glory than to stand beside the best friends you could ever have!

“Those Persian partisans, you know their houses—the ones with the blinds always closed. You’ve never seen one with a suntan, have you? And you never will. What goes on in there, it’s just a good thing that the shutters are tight.

“It’s a great day. I’m a dachshund lover and finally I see that, at least in our place, we’re going to be getting the respect we deserve. Why did it take so long?”

Kevin looked over at Tierney, at thirteen years, a little older than she was. Tierney slept most of the time now, an Airedale rarely lives so long. What kind of a choice was this? Well, Tierney won’t last be around too much longer, Kevin mused. The thought first offered a little relief, but only for a moment. Panicking she gasped, Am I really a cat person? What is wrong with me? Who will help me? Why do I have to choose? Oh, please, please, don’t make me do this!

Katerina had the last word. “Rwwawr,” she said, tucked her head into the crook of Kevin’s elbow, snuggled up a little, and slept happily.

National Coming Out Day is October 11<sup>th</sup>.

## ASSOCIATION SUNDAY

Association Sunday is an opportunity for our congregation to recognize and support, both in spirit and financially, the national work of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). On Association Sunday, thousands of Unitarian Universalists (UUs) across the nation will simultaneously celebrate our shared commitment to Unitarian Universalism.

The UUA hopes all UU congregations produce a Sunday service and special collection to affirm our connection, and to bring our resources together for greater effect. These Sundays are an opportunity for us to come together to grow our faith and our influence in the world.

Like Ministry Sunday in 1995 (which was a request to support the financial needs of ministers and seminary students) and Mind the Gap Sunday in 2002 (which was focused on supporting Youth and Young Adult Ministries), each Association Sunday will include a worship service based on a particular theme, and congregations will be asked to host a special collection to support the Association of Congregations.

This is an opportunity for us to support the work that individuals, congregations, and the UUA do to make Unitarian Universalism a haven for those who seek a liberal religious home.

## ANDEAN SPIRITUALITY

*Waka, Illa, Condor, Puma, Snake, Shaman and Stone*

These components of Andean spirituality are the subject of a presentation by Sandy Kurtz on Friday, October 19, at 7pm in the main sanctuary of the church. She spent three weeks in

Peru this summer returning with stories to tell and pictures to show. During this program you will see photos of gorgeous scenery and sites, and you will also learn about Andean spirituality and try your hand at a ritualistic ceremony from Peru.

## A NEW ADVENTURE BEGINS

by Jamie Sullivan, Director of Religious Education

Greetings from the whirlwind down-under! We are safely surviving the changing RE atmosphere using the teamwork and friendship tools we have learned from our Unitarian Universalist principles.



Saying goodbye to Amy, (and her family) was not easy. We all miss them and hope their transition to California has been smooth. Thanks to our last trimester with Amy, we have a clearer picture of what it means to reduce, reuse, and recycle and how important environmental awareness is to our world. We really can make a difference each day with simple consumer choices, as well as being more aware of what we do with our trash.

The water service was held on my first Sunday as Director of Religious Education. Because this special service is intergenerational, there were only a few of us downstairs: four boys and one girl (that was me). What a joy it was when Gregory requested we all have a seat, offering me the first opportunity to share any joys or concerns. Frankly, I believe Gregory could have taken it from there, but I intervened with much support from my enthusiastic audience. Now that a few Sundays have gone by, we are all beginning to feel more comfortable and familiar with one another.

I feel blessed to spend time with such thoughtful, enthusiastic, and *funny* young Unitarian Universalists. We all thoroughly enjoyed meeting Brother Ron and learning new words (to some of us) like “monk” and “habit.” Who would have thought someone would spend his time washing and caring for the feet of homeless people? This visit meant so much to all of us and we hope Brother Ron will visit again sometime.

As we nestle into a new trimester, we will explore tolerance asking the question “How can we make this world a better place?” The theme will be “Hearts and Handshakes.” We will utilize multicultural tales, theme centered crafts, and games. We will weave concepts of *patience, forgiveness, acceptance, and love* into our conversations and art. We will also sing songs and listen to music by various multicultural artists. It will be time well spent. Friendships will continue and develop as we all find our common ground as well as appreciate our many differences.

Thank you to all who have welcomed me with warm smiles and thoughtful words. My goal is to provide a loving atmosphere for the young UUs. I would appreciate feedback and suggestions from anyone (especially those who worked in RE in the past). We will have lots of fun downstairs, so please join us anytime!

## SEMINARY FOR THE LAITY

Starr King School's Seminary for the Laity is a non-resident, online certificate program offering 7 and 14 week non-graduate level online courses for laypeople. The program is designed to help congregational and non-profit leaders develop skills that can move organizations toward fulfilling their mission and vision.

UU History for Lay Leaders – Chronologies (Oct. 29-Dec. 14), taught by Roxanne Seagraves

This course is a survey of Unitarian Universalism history from the sixteenth century to the present. Twentieth-century UU historian Earl Morse Wilbur identified three fundamental premises within Unitarianism as freedom, reason, and tolerance. In addition to these, Universalism incorporates the concepts of universal salvation, and the human desire for the good. Both movements evolve from multi-stranded histories of dissent within European and North American Christianities. The Unitarian idea of God as one, and the

Universalist concept of universal salvation, have surfaced and played across the histories of human belief for millennia.

Please note that as Seminary for the Laity coursework is not designed to be at the graduate level, neither credit nor tuition can be transferred to another Starr King degree program.

Seminary for the Laity Tuition Fall 2007 seven week courses is \$220. Starr King School offers a 10% discount to congregations with teams taking a course together. These teams can include congregation leaders, board members, committees and church members interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism.

Visit the Starr King website <[www.sksm.edu](http://www.sksm.edu)> for more information, or contact the Admissions Department at 510-845-6232.

**GREEN SANCTUARY INITIATIVE**

*by Sandy Kurtz, Chair, Green Sanctuary Initiative*

**Ecoteam Begins.** A new team is ready to start on October 21. They will meet together during the pot luck and continue afterwards as they determine future meeting dates and responsibilities of individual team members. Ecoteams take actions home to establish a more Earth friendly lifestyle. There is room for representatives from 2-4 more households on this team. Interested? Contact Sandy Kurtz or sign the signup sheet on the bulletin board at church.

**What's the plan, Stan?** The Green Sanctuary Initiative will meet October 28 after the church service and a brief break for coffee or tea.

**Where do old computers go to die?** People ask how they can recycle bulky items like TVs and computer monitors or electronic items. Check with Orange Grove Recycling Center (423) 293-

2925, Goodwill Industries (423) 242-0594, Salvation Army Thrift Store (423) 756-1023 or 479-2469, Asset Waste Management & Recycling (877) 858-5685 in Rossville, or A&B Recycling (800)-557-0726 Fort Oglethorpe-Georgians only. Sometimes there is a slight charge for acceptance. Want more information? Go to Earth 911 at <[www.earth911.org](http://www.earth911.org)>

*Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves. –John Muir*



**PRIVET & PIZZA PARTY**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> After the Worship Service**

Wear work clothes and plan to stay after church as we continue our attack on privet, the alien species invading our grounds to the detriment of our native plants. We will also continue to implement our landscaping plan putting in plants to sustain wildlife. We will also spruce up our grounds. Please bring any tools you wish appropriate for landscaping and gardening work. Gloves are valuable too. All ages are encouraged to participate in this intergenerational fun event. You will be rewarded and bolstered by delicious pizza!

**CHURCH RETREAT UPDATE**

*by Adam Couch, VP Programs*

Based on the initial survey results and cost considerations, the Unitarian Universalist Church of Chattanooga retreat will be held at Fall Creek Falls State Park on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.

The facility we will be using at Fall Creek Falls consists of two, 20-person lodges with additional rooms available in the park hotel. The rates for the hotel can be found at the Fall Creek Falls web site.

The “ball-park” figures for the group lodge costs are divided in to three categories and will be adjusted on a sliding scale. The first category is “full adult participant.” The cost for this is approximately \$20.00 per night. The second cost category is “non-rooming adult” (an adult not staying in the lodge) and that cost should be around \$10.00 per day. The final category is “kids”

which will start at \$10.00 per night. This scale is predicated on the assumption that at least fifteen adult room nights will be sold. The beauty of the sliding scale is its potential to slide downward as enrollment goes up. For example, if enrollment reaches thirty adult room nights, the cost falls to \$11.00 per night.

The room cost includes only a spot in the group lodge. Food will be a separate issue. My suggestion is that groups from each lodge or attendees staying in the park hotel sign up to provide individual meals in a lodge.

As for day trips, plays, storytelling and workshops, I need suggestions and volunteers. Please visit the church’s web site and use the link found there to fill out the retreat survey.

### INTERFAITH HOMELESS NETWORK

*by Marge Pasch, Chair, Interfaith Homeless Network*

With the help of our new support congregation, Pilgrim Congregational Church, we hosted two homeless adults and five children for the week of September 16 to 23. One of the families left the IHN program mid-week, but the mother is now working and is on her way to getting housing. Our overnight hosts went out of their way to help the mother of this family by letting her into the church at close to midnight so she could keep her job. A special thank you to them.

It took 348 man hours and 42 volunteers for our hosting. Our Pilgrim volunteers were organized by Therese Padgett who devoted many hours to that job as well as volunteering at our church as evening and overnight host. Other Pilgrim volunteers were Vanessa Robbs; Pierre Andreae; Dale Mabee; Leslie Smith; Ann Sheets; and Kate and Terry Stulce. We couldn't have done it without them, and we appreciate all their help and support.

Thanks to the cooks who provided delicious meals: Linda and George Helton; Maddie Kertay; Lori and John Nelson; Jeff

and Kate Briere; Daidee Springer; Adam and Katie Couch; and Nicki Ozbeck. Evening Hosts who welcomed our guests were Charles Redwine, Marge Pasch, Pat Mann, Mary Hunter, Margaret Hudson, The McCurdy Family, Skip Stevens, and Maurine and George Olin. Overnight hosts were Harold Linn; Eric Slaton; James Joyner; Sue Knight; Steve Hollingsworth, Marge Pasch, and Tim Trussell-Smith. Our indispensable van driver was Bill Kurtz. Ron Pasch drove the trailer. Thanks to loaders/unloaders Roy Presswood, Bill Kurtz, and Ron Pasch. Volunteers who helped set up the beds were Kris Headrick, Harold Linn, Nancy Anderson, Margaret Hudson, Pat O'Brien. Helping to return the Religious Education rooms to rights after the hosting were Therese Padgett and Kris Headrick. Thanks to Food Coordinator, Elaine Watkins, all the guests were happy with their breakfasts and snack foods. Nancy Anderson again acted as Laundry Coordinator. Congratulations to our hard-working team. By giving of your time and yourself, you made sure our guests had a safe week at our church and were able to pursue their goal of achieving jobs and housing.

### SHARE THE PLATE

On Sunday, September 7, we "shared the plate" with the Community Kitchen. Our guest speaker Br. Ron Fender went home with nearly \$1000 for the Community Kitchen. One Sunday each month you, our collection is donated to other worthy

organizations allowing us to give back to our community. Please let the minister know if you have a favorite organization with whom we should "share the plate."

### YOUR CHURCH BOARD & STAFF

The Unitarian Church of Chattanooga could not function without the unfailing dedication of our members and staff. Virtually, all of our members dedicate some of their time and financial resources to the church. A small group of members serve on the church board of directors giving many hours to seeing that our church runs smoothly. This group works quietly without drawing attention to themselves so you may not know who they are. Here are your board representatives and the staff of the church:

President: Roger Davis  
President-Elect: Maddie Kertay  
Immediate Past President: Daidee Springer  
Secretary: Linda Helton  
Treasurer: Eric Papendorp  
Assistant Treasurer: Elaine Watkins (non-voting BoT)  
Vice President of Programs: Adam Couch

Vice President of Religious Education: Nicole Barnhart  
Vice President of Ways and Means: Leslie Walters  
Church Administrator: Chris Tregaskis  
Music Director: Kate Briere  
Director of Religious Education: Jamie Sullivan  
Minister: Rev. Jeff Briere

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE: IMAGINE WHAT OUR CHURCH COULD BE...

*by Roger Davis, President, Board of Trustees*

What can you imagine for our church, say, five years from now? 10 years? What would it look like? Could it become a completely rebuilt structure that stands 100 feet tall, with beautiful stained glass windows accenting the walls? How about an energy-efficient, solar and wind-powered building built on 50 acres out in the country? This is more than wishful thinking. Our congregation continues to grow—we are literally “bursting at the seams.” So we really do need to come up with a realistic growth strategy to accommodate our growing community.

The Board has been considering undertaking a financial assessment of our capital needs. This is where a Unitarian Universalist consultant would work with our congregation to develop a strategy on how we should grow, and how we should finance it. This will involve all our church members to weigh-in. This is not just for the Board to consider. It's all of our church, after all. The Board may initiate and guide the process, but the whole congregation would take part.

So consider this letter as a little nudge to start your thinking. One fundamental issue is whether we should add to the current

building, or build a completely new church on another plot of land. What are the trade-offs and details? Would it be easier and cheaper to renovate what we've got? Build a bigger kitchen? Expand both floors for more space? Build another story to act as a balcony for the sanctuary? Add solar panels on the roof? How about one of those digital billboards that would be readable by Hwy 24 vehicles?

But whenever I start to think of trying to improve and expand our current structure, I confront the realization that the church is perched on top of a hill! We're not on flat land, so our choices to expand may be limited. Perhaps we could reclaim the upper parking lot and the winding road up to it – make all that suitable for an expanded structure(s). And then there's the bell/cell tower that doesn't exactly belong to us – we couldn't just move it. Move around it? Make it the center of an expanded sanctuary?

So, as you can see, we may have some hard choices to make if we want to accommodate our ongoing growth.

Nothing happens unless first we dream.

~ Carl Sandburg

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Trustees met on September 12. The following are highlights from that meeting.

- √ The BOT approved the appointment of Leslie Walters to VP of Ways and Means.
- √ Kate Briere's contract for Music Director was signed.
- √ Financial Assessment: We discussed hiring a Fund-Raising Consultant. The cost of a consultant will average between 3%-5% of the total raised in the capital fund drive. It was suggested that we not rush into deciding if we'll do this and to further discuss the pros and cons. A meeting is being called before October's BOT Meeting to discuss this further.
- √ Rev. Briere praised the congregation for the money they donated to the September 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday's Share-the-Plate Collection for the Community Kitchen.
- √ Building and Grounds is exploring expanded lighting for all parking lots and walk-ways.
- √ Several Board members will attend the Thomas Jefferson District Fall Leadership Conference in Knoxville on Oct. 12-13 concerning church financial health.
- √ The Board approved a motion to reserve two cabins for \$320 at Fall Creek Falls for an April 4-6 Church Retreat.
- √ The Board decided to review the responsibilities of the Sexton's duties at Church events.

## A HUNDRED YEAR ANNIVERSARY

by Helen Solomon

On the wall of our sanctuary, along with the portraits of each of our UUCS ministers, is a portrait of Quillen Shinn, who died one hundred years ago, in September of 1907. It is hanging there because we have a very close connection with that most charismatic of the early circuit-rider missionaries to the South in the late 1800s. This connection began when Rev. Shinn started a Universalist Church in Chickamauga, Ga, in 1860.

Shinn died in 1907, just as that church was struggling to move their congregation into Chattanooga. The Chickamauga Universalists had been meeting temporarily, and by invitation, at the All Souls Unitarian Church on Lindsay St. (see the 1897 cornerstone now on the grounds at our parking lot). They had been invited to join the Unitarians instead of building their own church, but had declined the offer. (Unitarians and Universalists nationwide did not merge until 1960, when they finally realized that their similarities far outweighed their differences.)

They were having a hard time raising enough money to build the proposed new building. When the Universalist New England Missionary Society, which had sponsored Shinn's visits to the South, offered a fund of \$20,000 to the first southern Universalist group to name their church *Shinn Memorial* in his memory, the Chickamaugans claimed that award. They built their new church on Main Street in Chattanooga, just opposite the Morningside and Eveningside development, meeting there for the first time in 1916.

But that is not the end of the story.

Both the All Souls Unitarian Church and the Shinn Memorial Universalist Church in Chattanooga closed their doors at the end of America's Great Depression. When the national Unitarian Association had their very successful membership effort in the early 1950s, they sent an organizer to Chattanooga and founded the Chattanooga Unitarian Fellowship --- one of the lay-led seeds they planted across the country.

The new Unitarian Fellowship began by meeting in the Hamilton County Court House. While searching for a permanent place to meet, the Fellowship actually met for a whole year in the empty Shinn Memorial building on Main Street, but the old building proved to be not appropriate for their needs. Then the Unitarian Fellowship, which by now had become a Unitarian Church (by the fact that they hired a minister), grew enough to take the challenging step of building their own edifice. But they, also, were faced with the daunting chore of raising enough money for a down payment.

In 1961, the church leaders remembered that the declared goal of Yankee support for Quillen Shinn as a circuit-rider and for the granting of \$20,000 for a church named as a memorial to him was "to promote liberal religion in the South." The Chattanooga Unitarians sent a pair of negotiators, Ray Solomon and Leroy Philips, to Boston to visit the newly combined Unitarian Universalist headquarters to plead their cause. By then, the Shinn Memorial building on Main Street had been sold, and the proceeds had gone into the newly combined headquarters funds. Our representatives were able to bring back \$15,000 for our building fund, which was, they said, "all they had left" from the sale of Shinn Memorial. This money became part of the down payment for our present church building.

The only living member of our church who is related to the old Shinn Memorial Universalists is a past president of our church, Buck O'Rear. His grandmother, Hattie Keown, was a member of the Chickamauga Universalist Church when it moved to Chattanooga.

As you can see, our history is a tangle of involvements that have helped us become the symbol of liberal religion in the South that it is today. For more about Quillen Shinn, read the last-page article of the 2007 fall edition of your UU World magazine.

## ART ON THE WALLS

For September and October, we are delighted to present professional art photographs by Bob Copeland and his brother Jim. (Bob is the husband of Rose Ann Solomon Copeland.)

As the detail description of their art process (hanging with the pictures) states they have no desire to make a mere reproduction of the scene. "We select the composition, angle of view, and lighting to begin the creation of drama and emotion."

The works in our sanctuary are all scenes from Italy. If you have not personally experience that country, they will warm your heart; if you have, they just may sent you into rapture!

These are professional works and are available for purchase. For a limited time Bob will donate one-half the sale price to the church. Contact him directly at 423-238-4299.

SPECIAL MUSIC THIS MONTH

In October, we are privileged to have "special music" provided for two of our Sunday services. We welcome James Nihan to our sanctuary on October 14<sup>th</sup> and our own Scott Sullivan and Joe Rudolfo perform on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

A Massachusetts native, James Nihan began playing guitar at age nine and writing songs at fourteen. He has entertained throughout Texas, Arizona and California, performing at rodeos, folk societies and vineyard restaurants. He moved to Nashville in 1987 to continue a career in songwriting and was first published by Ed Bruce and George Strait. In 1990 he was voted "Songwriter of The Year" by the Tennessee Songwriters Association.



He has taught songwriting to children through the non-profit "Words & Music" program at the Country Music Hall of Fame for fifteen

years, and he now brings his songwriting workshops into schools across the country. He has worked with patients in addiction and psychiatric treatment, where poetry and music are used to encourage self-expression and healing.

Scott Sullivan and Joe Rudolfo will bring their own brand of middle eastern and classical Indian fusion music to the October 21st worship service. Scott studied tabla with Anoose Taj in Chattanooga and Joe studied sitar in India. They've played together about six years and have appeared at Four Bridges Art Fest, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Culture Fest and various other venues in this area.

And we welcome Carmen Vanderhoof's brother, Matt, on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Matt has entertained us with his piano stylings after the service during the fellowship hour.

CHOIR NEWS!

The choir is undergoing many changes. Especially under discussion is our rehearsal schedule. At present, we rehearse on Thursday evenings 7 to 9. Please join us then or on Sunday



mornings at 9:30 or call Kate Briere, 423-624-8152 if you have an interest in joining the music ministry of this church.

NEED A MUSIC FIX ON FRIDAY NIGHT?

The *Last Minute Band*, with our own Rich Dwyer and Roger Davis, will perform at BBQ & Blues Restaurant (just before McCallie Tunnel on Brainerd Rd. on Friday, October 5 from 8 to

10 pm. They will also appear on Friday, October 26 at T-Bones (near UTC Finley Stadium). Time will be determined later. If anyone needs more information, call Rich Dwyer 423-580-5182.

Music washes away from the soul, the dust of every day life.  
Art Blakely

IS THIS EASIER FOR YOU TO READ?

As you may have noticed, large print orders of service have been available on Sunday mornings lately. Much thanks to Chris for providing this valuable alternative. If you are just getting a little older and your arms are getting shorter, this large print probably works well for you. But we know that some of our members have trouble seeing even with large print and we want to meet their needs.

So, if you are one of the people who has taken a large print order of service, or if you are like to have a large print order of service, we have two questions for you:

Is the large print order of service still to small or too unclear for you to easily read? Would you be interested in receiving *the nUUsletter* in large print?

If your answer to either of these questions is "yes," please call Chris in the church office and tell her more about what you need to be able to read the church publications. If there is a need, we will revise the large print order of service and look into the feasibility of producing a large print version of *the nUUsletter*.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS OUT

Last month's Wednesday Nights Out was a smashing success. See the schedule below for the plans for October. Want more information? Call the church office.

10/3	Dinner at the Church	\$5	Definitely FAMILY FRIENDLY!
10/10	Mud Pie (FF)	\$\$	12 Frazier Ave
10/17	Genghis Grill	\$\$	138 Market St
10/24	NaGoYa (FF)	\$\$	4921 Brainerd Rd
10/31	Aretha Frankenstein's (Where else would we go? Wear a costume!)	\$\$	518 Fremont St

\$\$ - Average price entrée \$10 - \$12

FF – Family Friendly

ADVENTURES COUPON BOOKS

Adventures Coupon Books are once again available at the church.

The books cost just \$30 and contain a wonderful variety of "twofer" coupons: Fine restaurants (some of them are really and truly fine); casual restaurants (great places to take the kids); the Theatre Centre, the Symphony and Opera, the Zoo, Tennessee Valley Railroad.....

Take a look at a sample book in the Fellowship Area.

Sales of Adventures Dining & Entertainment Coupon books benefit the church. Contact Rich Dwyer or Daidee Springer for more information.

SHARED BIRTHDAYS

You might be sharing your birthday with someone else at UUC! Not the year, necessarily, but the same month and day. Check the list below for October, then try to learn more about your "twin"!

Ruby Burns and Sandy Lusk  
Linda Helton and Daidee Springer  
Bill Berry and Wendy Sapp



LET'S GO TO THE HOP!

Don't be L-7! Put on your poodle skirt, and dust off your leather jackets. Grease back your hair and put on your bobby socks! Let's go to the hop! The Sock Hop!

Join us for lots of family friendly 50's style fun as we support Brother Ron's work at the community kitchen! Music and awards for the best 50's style clothing. The "The UUC Soda Shop" will offer root beer floats, pizza by the slice and drinks at 50's style prices!

*Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> 5-9 pm!*

*Be There Or Be Square!*

Entrance cost – 3 pairs of new white athletic socks per person or a 10-12 pack per family! If you have 50s theme "stuff" we'd love for you to share it. More volunteers are always welcome. For more information contact Maddie Kertay at <maddie6 at bellsouth dot net> or 423-495-9601.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Book Club News: The book club will discuss *March*, by Geraldine Brooks on Thursday, October 18, 7:00 pm in the Fellowship area of the church. This book shows "how war dashes ideals, unhinges moral certainties and drives a wedge...between [spouses]." Everyone is invited.

THE NUUSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

*the nUUsletter* welcomes articles from members and friends of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Chattanooga. Article topics should be of interest to our church members and could include: announcements of events, discussion of recent events in the church of community, and original essays or poems. Each article can be up to 400 words. Due to space limitations and selected topics, it is possible that not all articles will be published. Please send your submissions to *the nUUsletter* to the editor, Wendy Sapp, at *wksapp at charter dot net*. Wendy can also be reached at 706-694-0940. The deadline for the October issue of *the nUUsletter* is September 15<sup>th</sup>.

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GREETERS	Kyle Waggoner	Diane Davison	Cecile de Rocher	Margaret Hudson
USHERS	April Waggoner	David Reed	Brenda Ford	Tim Trussel-Smith
CHANCEL DÉCOR	Mary Hunter	Mary Hunter	Mary Hunter	Mary Hunter
MUSIC	Matt Vanderhoof	James Nihan	Scott Sullivan and Joe Rudolfo	Marcia Jenison
SOUND TECH	Mike Walters	Karl Hunt	Joshua Goldman	Buck O'Rear

*In all of nature, there is something marvelous.*  
 ~ Aristotle