



A Month of Sundays

Services and Children's Religious Education 10:30 a.m. Adult Forum 9am

September 5 "UU Revival!"

It's time again to celebrate our faith through story and song. Testify! Share what Unitarian Universalism, and our Fellowship, bring to your life. We will celebrate our own "old time religion".

Greeter: Bets Anderson
Facilitators: Bets Anderson

Board Member: Holly Fortenberry
Music: UU String Band

September 12 Gerry Carr, "Water Ceremony"

As the summer ends and we look forward to fall, it has become a ritual in this congregation to share water (real or symbolic) from our travels and experiences. This year the ceremony falls on the second anniversary of Hurricane Ike. Please plan to bring water (if you have it) or use symbolic water to participate and share in this special service. Gerry is Past president of our Fellowship and chairs the Program Committee.

Greeter: Madeleine Baker
Board Member: Cheryl Henry
Music: Tony DiNuzzo

September 19 Joanna Crawford, "Gathered and Sent"

So what is the purpose of church? According to NWCUUC member and UU seminarian Joanna Crawford, "We gather to strengthen our souls, we are sent out to strengthen the world." But the path for each is often hard to find. Come prepared to wade in the water as we discuss how to do each.

Greeter: Judy Glaister
Facilitator: Alison Rutledge
Board Member: Holly Fortenberry
Music: Margaret Canavan

September 26 **POT LUCK AFTER THE SERVICE** Bets Anderson, "When I Was a Child"

This sermon by UU minister Jeanne Nieuwejaar includes reflections on the religious life of childhood and thoughts on honoring our children. Bets is a former president of our fellowship. Rev. Nieuwejaar currently serves the congregation in Wilton, NH.

Greeter: Cheryl Henry
Facilitator: Madeleine Baker

Board Member: Holly Fortenberry
Music: Woody Dickson

UUFGC Right Relations Covenant

*We will communicate openly,
honestly & respectfully.*

*We will listen carefully with
open minds & open hearts.*

*We will assume good inten-
tions, practice tolerance &
resist the temptation to be-
come offended.*

*We will take responsibility for
our speech, actions & feel-
ings, & we will be sensitive
to possible conflicts & will-
ing to work toward solutions.*

*We will consider other perspec-
tives & will strive not for
unanimity but for mutual re-
spect.*

*We will honor our own bounda-
ries & the boundaries of oth-
ers.*

*We will respect & support the
diversity within our congre-
gation & work to foster a
welcoming environment.*

--adopted 12/05



Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its gift.

This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

News & Coming Attractions

NUUws from Members & Friends

Kat Edwards has a new job working for One-Stop Cleaners ,an independent small business with a very small staff of three. "One door closed, and another one opened." She is very happy to no longer be working for a big corporation.

Our friend **Izola Collins** is back in Galveston & is playing music for meditation on the pipe organ and the piano at Reedy Chapel noon to 1pm on Thursdays, through September. She plays a variety of music during these concerts, which are free & open to all.

Lots of news from our friend **Mylène Dressler**: Her novels **The Deadwood Beetle** and **The Floodmakers** are now in Kindle (electronic) editions. Her blog, **American Stories NOW**, is recognized by the prestigious journal **Creative NonFiction** as the winning "truly literary blog." Her work will be appear in a new anthology of essays, OIL AND WATER, to be published in September, with all proceeds from the book going to BP disaster relief. Mylène will be in Texas in October, and in addition to her visit to our Book Club on October 13 & her Sunday service on October 17, she will present at several workshops. See her website for details, <http://www.mylenedressler.com/> .

Joanna Fontaine Crawford, UU seminary and one of our favorite speakers, is shaving her head to raise money for childhood cancer research! She's organizing a St. Baldrick's "Shave-a-thon" on September 25. Volunteers shave their heads in solidarity with kids fighting cancer, and family and friends give generously. The St. Baldrick's Foundation uses the donations to fund more in childhood cancer research grants than any organization except the United States Government. For more information, or to donate, go to <http://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/liitlewarrior>.

UUpcoming Events

Book Club will meet Wednesday September 8 at 7pm to discuss **A Mighty Long Way**, by Carla Walls Lanier. Upcoming reads include **The Medusa Tree**, by Mylene Dressler (October 13); **In Transit**, by Ute Carson (November 10); and **The Year of the Flood**, by Margaret Atwood (December 8).

UUsed Book Sale: The book sale will be held Saturday, September 11, 9am-2pm. All volunteer helpers are heartily welcome.

"Spirituality of Poker" & Game Night: Enjoy poker at John Hunger's Sunday, September 19 at 6:30pm. Other games TBA

Supper Circle: **Martha Terrill** will host a Caribbean meal on September 17. Be sure to sign up on the bulletin board as she is limiting to 12.

We need a host for the October Supper Circle and our calendar will be filled. Anyone interested in hosting this dinner, please notify **Judy Glaister** or sign-up on the bulletin board.

Around UU

Adult Forum (Religious Education): The group will begin in September with discussion of **Living Faith: How Faith Inspires Social Justice** by Curtiss Paul DeYoung. Books have been ordered, so if you'd like to participate let **Madeleine Baker** know.

Microfinance Update: . Using funds from recently repaid prior loans we provided xx new loans. Since May 2007 we have made 128 (august) loans totaling \$3925(August), and donated \$247(August) to support the operations of Kiva. We make new loans as we receive donations and re-lend as existing loans are repaid. All are welcome to help select loan recipients. We are part of the Unitarian Universalist lending

team which now has 406 members. See our "portfolio" of all loans we have made at <http://www.kiva.org/lender/unitarianuniversalsi3384>.

Social Action Committee: The August compassionate collection went to the Galveston Island Tree Conservancy. Thanks to the generosity of our congregation we collected \$200. The September offering will be for the **Juvenile Justice Center** to pay the cost of GED tests for 3 of the youth.

Gulf Coast Interfaith update: The group will have its its monthly membership meeting on Thursday Sept. 16th from 6:30 to 8:30. We don't have a place yet.

UU TV: Here's an interesting website you might want to check out - <http://www.uuplanet.tv/>. According to its creator, Peter Bowden, the UU PLANET TV website was created to help you find the best UU videos and television the web has to offer. The site's goals are to make it easier for newcomers to our faith to sit down and explore what we are all about; and to make it easier for UUs to share this information with friends and colleagues.

Reminders

- Bring old (clean) socks and rags for **Judy Glaister** to use for cleaning & polishing on the **Elissa**.
- **Fair Trade Coffee & Tea** sales benefit small coffee farmers & our Social Action Committee.
- **Sunday morning "Greeters"** are needed! Sign-up in the kitchen or contact **Vickie Francil**.
- We can get \$3 credit at Office Depot with your **used inkjet printer cartridges**.
- **For visitors & newcomers**: Please feel free to take copies of **UU World** magazine, from the display in the foyer.

Send us your news! Provide information to administrator@uugalveston.org or phone 409-765-8330, or leave at note at the Fellowship.

2010 - 2011

UUFGC Board of Directors

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Supper Circles	Judy Glaister
Social Action	Mary Hodgson

Administrative Team B. Anderson, M. Baker,
M. Canavan, J. Glaister, & C. Henry

Webmaster Amber Zainfeld

Social Action Committee

Provocative Film Series

Friday, September 3, 7pm

T a k i n g C h a n c e

A Marine from Quantico takes on escort duty, accompanying the remains of Pfc. Chance Phelps, killed at 19. From Dover to Philadelphia by hearse, from there to Minneapolis and on to Billings by plane, and then by car to Phelps' Wyoming home - person after person pays respects. Kind words, small gifts, and gratitude are given Strobl to deliver to the family on this soul-searching journey. He makes his own discoveries along the way. Based on a true story and featuring Kevin Bacon.

Free admission - Bring a friend & a snack to share.

The Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- ◆ *The inherent worth and dignity of every person;*
- ◆ *Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;*
- ◆ *Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;*
- ◆ *A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;*
- ◆ *The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;*
- ◆ *The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;*
- ◆ *Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.*

Get Connected with UUFGC

Meetings are at the Fellowship unless otherwise noted. Everyone is invited and welcome to all listed activities.

Alcoholics Anonymous Phoenix Group meets Sunday & Wednesday evenings at 8pm. Contact Robert G. for information at 409-392-7005.

Adult Forum meets Sundays at 9am to explore topics in religion, philosophy, history & politics. They do not meet on potluck Sundays. Contact Neil Huddleston at (409)744-2369.

Board of UUFGC meets the second Monday of each month at 5:15 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Book Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Contact Fanny DeGesero if you have suggestions for readings.

Used Book Sale monthly on second Saturday, 9am-2pm.

Bowlers meet on Wednesday evenings to make bowls for the annual "Empty Bowl" fundraiser for Jesse Tree. Contact Madeleine Baker for more information.

Course in Miracles Study Group meets every Monday at 11 am. Contact Laura Murrell for information (lauramurrell@att.net).

Dance Classes: Galveston Dance Club offers classes each Tuesday & Thursday at 7pm. Questions, call Betty at 281-337-0441. UU members can join for half price. See <http://www.galvestondanceclub.com>.

Program/Worship Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6pm, at Mosquito Café in Galveston. Meetings are open to all. Contact Gerry Carr if you have a program to suggest.

Poker and Game Night is monthly and held in members' homes, open to all. Check the calendar & weekly announcements for date & location.

Social Action Committee meets the first Sunday of each month after service and welcomes your ideas, energy and enthusiasm. Help plan our "deeds not creeds".

Spirit Circle Covenant Group meets each second and fourth Tuesday at 6:15pm. Contact Gerry Carr at gcarr@tlc-galveston.org for information.

Supper Circles meet monthly. Call Judy Glaister at (409)762-8187 to schedule a supper, sign up for one, or for information.

Meditation: *Zen Island Fellowship* meets every Monday at 5:30pm, Contact Cara Geary (gcara@comcast.net) or visit <http://galvestonzen.org/>. *Natural Awareness Meditation* meets Thursdays at 5:15pm, contact Terry Conrad (409)599-7268.

SEPTEMBER 2010

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Galves-

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Happy Birthday to:</p> <p><i>Kat Joel-Reich 09/01 Martha Terrill 09/10</i> <i>John Hunger 09/16 Billie Rinaldi 09/16</i> <i>Doris Lee 09/23 Corinne Higbee 09/28</i> <i>Steve Reubens 09/30</i></p>			<p>1</p> <p>5pm - Bowlers 6pm - Program Cmte @ Mosquito Café 8pm - AA Phoenix</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:15pm - Meditation 7pm - Dance lessons</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7pm - Provocative Film, Taking Chance</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5</p> <p>9am - Adult Forum 10:30am - "UU Revival!"; Children/Youth Religious Ed. 12n - Social Action Cmte. 8pm - AA Phoenix Group</p>	<p>6</p> <p>11am - Course in Miracles 5:30pm - Zen Meditation</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7pm - Dance lessons</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5pm - Bowlers 7pm - Book Club, A Mighty Long Way 8pm - AA Phoenix</p>	<p>9</p> <p>5:15pm - Meditation 7pm - Dance lessons</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
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<p>19</p> <p>9am - Adult Forum 10:30am - Joanna Crawford, "Gathered and Sent"; Children/Youth Religious Ed. 11:45am - Choir Practice 8pm - AA Phoenix Group 6:30pm - Poker at Hunger's</p>	<p>20</p> <p>11am - Course in Miracles 5:30pm - Zen Meditation</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7pm - Dance lessons</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5pm - Bowlers 8pm - AA Phoenix</p>	<p>23</p> <p>5:15pm - Meditation 7pm - Dance lessons</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
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