



A Newsletter of
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THE PIONEER

June—July 2010

Summer Summary

Worship Services

Through September 5: summer schedule of one service on Sundays at 10am

Remember: no services on June 27—it's Swedish Days!

September 12: Intergenerational Potluck and End-of-Summer Celebration Picnic

September 19: return to our regular church year schedule—2 services on Sunday at 9:30am & 11:15am

Church School

During June Worship Services: we'll have childcare for children up through the first grade.
Older children and youth are invited to stay for the entire service.

July – August: Spirit Play for preschool through grade 5

Staff Travels & Vacations

Lindsay: on retreat June 13-19, on study leave June 20-27, at Hypnotism Convention August 10-19

Katie: on vacation June 18-27, July 16-31

Sandi: on medical leave June 14-July 10 (please note that this has been extended for 1 week)

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What's Happening During Swedish Days?

The office will be closed during the week of Swedish Days:
Sunday, June 20 through Sunday, June 27.

Remember that there will be no
worship service on Sunday, June 27.

Meetings during that week have been canceled, rescheduled,
or moved off-site. Check with the group leader or the online
calendar to find out if, where, and when your group is meeting.

And lastly, don't forget to sign up for our biggest fundraiser
of the year: the Swedish Days Pizza Booth!

Turn to page 3 for more info or go to
<http://content.uusg.org/swedish-days-pizza-booth/> to sign up.

Religious Education Announcements and Upcoming Events

Messages from Sandi Sumner, Our Acting Director of Religious Education



Medical Adventures...

Sandi's surgery has been delayed a few days—she'll get her new knee on Friday, June 18.

She'll be out of the office through Saturday, July 10.

Please contact Katie if you have an urgent issue during this time.

Upcoming LRE Events

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| Jun 17, 6:00pm | YRUU Habitat Training Session |
| Jun 18, 7:00pm | Friday Flicks: "Mining Madness, Water Wars: The Great Lakes in the Balance" and "Coal Country" |
| Jun 19, 3:30pm | Small Group Ministry |
| Jun 20, 11:30am | Sandel's Justice Study Group |
| June 22-27 | Swedish Days (No services June 27) |
| July 4, 10:00am | Summer Church School Begins for children in Preschool through Grade 5 |
| July 4, 11:30am | UU Atheism/Humanism Study Group |
| July 8, 7:30pm | Small Group Ministry |
| July 10-17 | YRUU Habitat for Humanity Trip |
| July 11, 1:00pm | Coming of Age Program |
| July 16, 7:00pm | Friday Flicks |
| July 17, 3:30pm | Small Group Ministry |
| July 18, 11:30am | Sandel's Justice Study Group |
| July 19, 7:30pm | LRE Committee Meeting |
| July 25, 1:00pm | Coming of Age Program |

Weekly Adult RE Opportunities

Every Monday at 7:00pm in the Common Room:

"Still Living in the Present Moment"

Every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary:

UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

Summer is finally here and although events and programming at UUSG slow down a bit through August, there are still things to do. Check the online calendar for dates and meeting times of the various study groups we offer. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

Summer Church School starts July 4!
Once again, we'll be using our *Spirit Play* curriculum for young people in preschool through grade 5. The Potter Room has been reconfigured for the needs of *Spirit Play*, and we're looking forward to a summer of stories, arts, and fun. Please join us!

Coming of Age (CoA) and Our Whole Lives (OWL) Programs
CoA is an opportunity for current 8th graders to develop and explore their own spiritual beliefs, gain a deeper understanding of UUism and UUSG history, and build meaningful relationships with adult mentors! This program runs through October and ends with a Coming of Age Worship Service (a celebration, really) on November 7. For the first time, UUSG is offering a Senior High OWL Program. Trained facilitators present this comprehensive sexuality education program that helps participants gain the knowledge, values, and skills they need to lead sexually healthy, responsible lives.

Summer Church School Starts on July 4!



Swedish Days Pizza Booth

Geneva’s Swedish Days are Tuesday through Sunday, **June 22-27**. Our UUSG Pizza Booth will be in full swing all six days, **but only with your help**.

Sign up for a two-hour slot to serve up pizza & pop, or consider joining the elite rank of Day Managers! This is one of our largest fundraisers of the year, and we need everyone’s help to make it a success.

There are still 22 slots left to fill — check out the openings TODAY at <http://content.uusg.org/swedish-days-pizza-booth/>.

Help Us Support “*Our Bottom Line*”

After over a year of reviewing, comparing, evaluating, and deciding upon the fabric for new pew cushions, the Sanctuary Aesthetics Committee chose just the right fabric---or so we thought! We anticipated that the congregation would be willing to make small contributions to “support our bottom line” and that there would ample time to develop a fundraising program to cover the cost of the project.

Time waits for no one, including our committee, and neither does the manufacturer of the pew cushions who meanwhile decided to discontinue the fabric we had chosen! Faced with that information a decision was made to purchase the last remaining fabric and negotiate with the manufacturer to produce the cushions with a mid-September delivery schedule. The down payment came from a special fund in memory of Mr. Walter Cordin. This fund was established to provide for special seating in the Sanctuary. Mr. Cordin, who was well over 6’ tall, found the pews to be uncomfortable for a person of his stature. This fund is helping us move forward with ordering the new cushions, but will need to be replenished so that it can be used for its original intent.

This is where we all can help to “cover our bottom line.” We are asking for your contribution of \$25 for one seat, \$50 for two—or perhaps a long pew at \$150. We have 160 seats available and at \$25/seat we will get to the \$4000 needed. Not only will we “cover our bottom line,” we’ll have wonderful new pew cushions that will be comfortable—more “cush for your tush”—and add to the improved aesthetics of our worship space.

You can leave your donation in the Common Room on the bulletin board with the special display that will show our progress. Or you can place your donation in the collection basket or send it to the UUSG office, noting on your check and/or envelope that this is for the pew cushion fund.

We are hoping that the production schedule will result in the new cushions being in the Sanctuary for us all to enjoy on Homecoming Sunday.

Many thanks in advance for your generosity. We will all enjoy the results of supporting “our bottom line”!

Requesting Reimbursement?

If you spent money on behalf of UUSG this year and forgot to request reimbursement, please do so by June 30.

Reimbursement request envelopes are available in the hallway just outside the south Common Room door.

Requests **MUST** be received by June 30.

YRUU Habitat for Humanity Trip

Our youth and adult chaperones are going on their H4H trip once again this year, and we wish them a wonderful, successful, life-changing experience! (As well as no injuries, drama, or clouds of mosquitoes!)

We look forward to hearing their stories during the “For All Ages” segment of the worship service on July 25.

Music at UUSG

Noticed a special twang in the air? A voice you haven't heard in a while? We've been busy rejuvenating the music in our services for the last couple months.

In addition to our wonderful pianist, Michael McElvain, in the recent past we've heard from Cynthia, Elena, Doria, & Sophia Spiegel; Megan Simpson; Tracey & Kristin McFadden; Lynn Fisher McCanne; Sandy Anderson-Cordogan; Alex Jenkins; Tracy Rosenkrans; Wendy, Neil, & Madelyn Glazier, Marty Román, & Emma Baar! Such talent all found in a small church deserves an audience!

And now we'll tantalize you with the following amazing musicians in the months ahead including... Alec Watson, Ian Bartoszek, Eric Luminais, Abby Zacker, Alexander Cordogan, and more! We thank all our musicians for volunteering and for helping the services be warm, fulfilling, and as diverse as we are ourselves. We have heard countless comments about how much your performances are appreciated!

If you are interested in volunteering your music during services, please contact Tracy Rosenkrans.

Exchanging Books & Ideas

Did you know that UUSG has a book exchange? Located in the Conant Room by the James Street door, the exchange is open to anyone--take or leave a book.

Lights! Camera! Auction! on November 13, 2010

Now is the time to begin thinking about what you will donate to the 2010 UUSG All-church Auction – Lights! Camera! Auction! on November 13 from 5pm until 8:30pm. Go to www.togetherauction.com/uusg to make a donation. Another way you can participate is by joining a committee. Sign up on <http://content.uusg.org/auction/> to join or chair one of the committees:

Plan events, décor, and food for the Children's room & Nursery (G-rated)

Contact people to ask for donations (Casting Call Committee)

Help assemble the catalog (Billboard Committee)

Give us a hand with networking computers, sales & receipts (Computerized effects)

Contact stores to ask them to contribute items or gift certificates (Store-y Board)

Create the ambiance, arrange items, and plan for a finger food potluck (Set Directors)

Plan the entertainment sound bites – Perhaps a Movie Trivia game– (Stunt Directors)

Plan now for your starring role! Do you have any questions? Contact Jean Pierce at 630-232-2350.

Circles of Life

We send our condolences to Gerry Adams, whose daughter recently passed away, and to Eric Luminais, whose grandfather died this month.

Congratulations to Kady McFadden, who graduated from Washington University in Saint Louis and was awarded a fellowship with Greenpeace in Washington, DC for the summer. She will begin working for Greencore, an environmental leadership training program, in the fall.

We send our love and congratulations to all our graduating seniors: Ian Bartoszek, Chris Hanson, Hannah Hirschberg, Florian Holm, Jessica Kassanits, Franziska Kern, Erin Lee, Caitlin Mackey, Max McKittrick, Pat Riordan, Dillon Roberts, Marty Roman, Lauren Schrock, Lindsay Souvannarath, Elena Spiegel, and Grant Steskal.

Our thoughts are with our Acting DRE, Sandi Sumner, as she has her right knee replaced on Friday, June 18. We look forward to seeing her back at church with a spring in her step on Sunday, July 11!

Sasha the MalamUUte continues to enjoy life with the cortisone shot in her hip—she's been a bit frisky lately—eating soap and dental floss—and we're excited to have a glimpse of what a pain-free life for her will be like. Her surgery will be rescheduled at some point, but we don't have details yet.

Social Justice News

Summer Friday Flicks: July 16 and August 20

This summer, we will enjoy “the rest of the story” for two films. At 7pm on Friday, July 16, we will screen *A Force More Powerful, Part 2*, which describes how nonviolent resistance brought about profound changes in Denmark, Poland, and Chile.

Then, at 7pm on Friday, August 20, we will watch *Peace is Every Step, Part 2*. This film gives an overview of the life and work of Thich Nhat Hanh.

At previous Friday Flicks, Part 1 of each of these films inspired lively, thought-provoking discussions. It is anticipated that the same will be true for this summer’s movies. Note: it is NOT necessary to have seen Part 1 of either film to appreciate Part 2.

Used Book Sale To Benefit Illinois Youth Centers

We will be holding a Used Book Sale from 10am to 2pm on Saturday, August 7, on the lawn at UUSG (or in the Common Room if it rains!). Proceeds will go to the Illinois Youth Centers located in St. Charles and Warrenville. As many of you know, the St. Charles facility is home to about 300 boys who are going through the Juvenile Justice System; the facility in Warrenville is similarly dedicated to young women. These young people will be reentering society and they need all the help they can get to become productive adults. Due to limited funding, the facilities experience an ongoing lack of resources for things like library materials and even simple improvements in the buildings.

How can you help?

- * By donating your used books (excluding text books and encyclopedias)
- * By stopping by the sale to buy some books (bring a friend or two)
- * By baking some cookies to tempt hungry shoppers
- * By helping with the sale itself

We will need volunteers to

- * help set up the books the morning of the sale
- * collect money
- * sort through the books at the end of the sale (appropriate books will be donated to the two facilities)
- * move the remaining books to the Geneva Library.



Books being donated may be dropped off in the Common Room from 6:00pm to 9:00pm the evening before the sale. You will be asked to sort your books according to fiction, nonfiction, or children's. Please contact Melissa Auer at 630-513-0135 if you can help with any of the tasks or if you would like more information.

Coffee or Tea Possibilities

If you purchase *Equal Exchange/Fair Trade* coffee and/or tea, then please let us know what you'd like us to order. There is a sign-up sheet in the Common Room. We will do our best to honor requests while working within ordering/shipping guidelines.

“Change for a Change”

Jim Jenkins and Katie Phillips recently took the “Change for a Change” jar over to the bank—we collected \$644.25 for Operation Support Our Troops Illinois.

The next group we're collecting for is the local Red Cross chapter, so start bringing in those coins!

More Social Justice News

RSVP Volunteering Opportunities for This Summer

This summer there are two types of opportunities to volunteer to support social justice causes. Children may participate in both activities.

On June 19 from 11:30am until 1:30pm, people are invited to pack meals at **Feed My Starving Children**, located at 555 Exchange Court, Aurora. Children as young as third grade are welcome to join us. Please contact Lisa Gades or sign up online at <http://content.uusg.org/rsvp-program/>.

Join others from UUSG while assisting with the **Community Garden** in Batavia. At 9 am on July 31, people of all ages are welcome to come to 311 W. Main Street in Batavia. We will also be signing up to return to the garden at various times between August 1-6. In June, we planted radishes and squash, harvested lettuce, staked tomatoes and peppers, and worked on mulching and compost. See what is happening on the Batavia Community Garden site on Facebook. Produce from the garden is being contributed to the Interfaith Food Pantry. To find out what tools you should bring, please contact Jean Pierce or Betsy Zinser.

Date	Location	Ages	Requirements	Activities
June 19, 11:30am-1:30pm	Feed My Starving Children	Grades 3 & up	1 adult for every 3 students	Pack meals for hungry children
July 31, 9am	Batavia Community Garden	All ages	See article above	Gardening for Food Pantry

Action Alert: Keep the Clean Air Bill Intact

Recently, 47 senators voted against the scientific finding that global warming represents a danger to human health. But we can be thankful that 53 Senators voted to defeat Sen. Murkowski's attack on the Clean Air Act.

Defeating Murkowski's ploy to stop the EPA from using the Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gases is a big win. But it may be a fleeting one.

In securing the votes to defeat the Murkowski resolution, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid struck a deal to allow another vote on a new attack on the Clean Air Act, which is being promoted by coal state Democrat Sen. Jay Rockefeller.

Rockefeller's bill would effectively have the same result as the Murkowski resolution, though under the guise of delaying EPA action for years rather than definitively blocking it.

We need your energy and efforts to keep up the pressure on Congress to ensure that the Senate does not bend to the oil and coal lobbies and roll back one of the best tools we have to regulate greenhouse gases and fight climate change.

Please go to the website below to send Sens. Durbin and Burriss the message that you are unwilling to compromise the Clean Air Act and to demand they vote against the Rockefeller bill and any other measure that weakens the Clean Air Act.

http://act.credoaction.com/campaign/thank_you_caa_2/?r=5634&id=9533-1411073-sROeTax

Tracey McFadden, for the Social Justice Committee

Clip 'n' Save: Summer Services

June 20	Fathers' Day service led by Thom Thomas
June 27	SWEDISH DAYS, so no service at church. But please do come and help out (or buy some pizza from) our Pizza Booth at the corner of Third & James!
July 4	Our founding minister, Augustus Conant, got himself into a lot of trouble one 4th of July, when his speech to the community veered from the "feel good about freedom" message everyone expected to a condemnation of slavery. While our young people picnic on the church lawn, "Augustus" will bring that 4th of July speech to UUSG.
July 11, 18, & 25 and August 1 & 8	Dr. Bates will be in the pulpit
August 15 & 22	Pamela Rumancik, our not-quite-yet Ministerial Intern from Meadville/Lombard, will be covering our pulpit while Dr. Bates is in New England
August 28	a special concert by February Sky (Phil Cooper & Susan Urban); watch for more details
August 29	Phil and Susan have led worship services for many UU congregations, and are bringing "Reverence & Glory: The Songs of Dave Carter" to UUSG. Susan writes: "Dave Carter (1952-2002) was an American folk singer and songwriter who self-described his style as 'post-modern mythic American folk music.' Many of his songs address spiritual issues and speak of things that UUs like to think and talk about. This service will consist of some of our favorite Dave Carter songs interspersed with reflections on why we like them."
September 5	Dr. Bates will have the pulpit for the Sunday before Labor Day
September 12	This is the weekend of Geneva's Festival of the Vine, a weekend when downtown parking is abysmal and our attendance has matched it! So we're moving Homecoming Weekend and instead will have an informal potluck brunch between 9:30 and noon, but we really hope you'll all have signed up for the All-Church Picnic instead!
September 19	Homecoming Sunday! We're back to 9:30 and 11:15 services, and our children, who'll be with us as usual for the first part of the services, will go off together for their own Homecoming Celebrations with their church school classes.

Shopping for UUSG

If you shop at Dominick's, you could earn money for UUSG! Next time you're there, ask to have your Dominick's card attached to the UUSG scrip account and UUSG will get a 1-4% rebate on all your purchases. Or register your Dominick's card today by grabbing your card and going to www.escrip.com. (The Dominick's at Randall and Route 38 is closed, but check to see if you live near another store.)

Parking Spaces

Please remember on Sundays to keep the parking apron and the 4 parking spots directly in front of the Sanctuary open for visitors and anyone who needs to park close to be able to attend church. New signs are up now!

Pioneer Deadline

Please note that the July Pioneer deadline (July 9) is a week early due to Katie's vacation.

Volunteer Headquarters

Garbage Patrol

The Wheeler Family has done an amazing job as our Garbage Patrol, but since they aren't living within walking distance anymore, it's time for someone else to take over this duty!

This is an easy way for an individual, couple, or family to help out. We're looking for helpers to take the garbage can & recycling bins to the curb on Wednesday afternoon or evening and/or to take the garbage can & recycling bins back behind the church on Thursday afternoon or evening.

It's not hard and it doesn't take much time. If you can make a commitment to help with one or both tasks, talk to Katie.

Selling Some Pizza

Many, many thanks to all the volunteers who are working the Swedish Days Pizza Booth this coming week! If you're not signed up to help, you can still support UUSG by stopping by the booth for some pizza and an ice-cold drink!

Look in next month's Pioneer for a complete list of volunteers and how our biggest fundraiser did this year!

Weeding & Watering

We're looking for a few people to join our Groundskeeping Crew. If you can help out by watering and weeding one week a month over the summer, please talk to Karin Kemp or Karen Moore.

Time & Talents Census

Have you filled out a green UUSG "Time & Talents" Census form yet? Or has it been a few years since you've filled one out? If so, let us know how you'd like to be involved at UUSG by filling out the form in the Common Room this weekend or online at <http://content.uusg.org/time-talents-interest-invento/>

Greeting & Hosting in July

If you're interested in greeting or hosting social hour in July, you can sign up in the Common Room or by going to <http://content.uusg.org/greeters-and-social-hour-hosts/>.

Another Opportunity to Support Our Troops

UUSG Member Claudine Myers is collecting care package items for the 485th Engineering Battalion in Iraq. If you'd like to help by donating any of the following items, please bring them to UUSG before June 26th and put them in the marked box in the Common Room.

Personal care items: gel deodorant, unscented baby wipes, Shower to Shower body powder, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, Icy Hot patch, foot powder, foot massager, vitamins

Snack Items: Rice Krispie Treats, beef jerky, mints, gum, sunflower seeds, nuts, trail mix, ground coffee, individually wrapped cookies, canned foods, Pringles, microwave popcorn, cereal, granola bars

Fun/Recreation Items: playing cards, CDs, DVDs, football, hacky sack, Frisbee, Dominoes, travel-size board games, puzzle books, paperback books

Other: long-distance phone card, disposable camera, Zip-loc bags, stress ball, shoelaces, pens, note-pads, letters and pictures

Questions? Call Claudine Myers.

Our calendar is provided on the next page, and is current as of June 15, 2010. For the most up-to-date calendar information, please visit our Website Calendar – go to www.uusg.org and follow the links to the Interactive Online Calendar. You can download a printable version if you like; the Calendar site has the instructions.

NEXT PIONEER DEADLINE

The deadline for submission to this monthly newsletter, the PIONEER, is generally 9:00 a.m. on the third Friday of the month.

The next deadline for articles is **Friday, July 9, at 9:00 a.m.**

JULY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> <i>Congregational Administrator On Vacation</i> No Services This Weekend <i>Senior Minister on Study Leave</i> Swedish Days	28 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 7:00 PM AA Group Meeting 7:00 PM Adult RE - "Still Living in the Present Moment"	29 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 1:00 PM Staff Meeting	30 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> <i>Senior Minister's Day Off</i> 7:00 PM UU Buddhism Meditation and Study Group 7:30 PM GAS AA	1 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> <i>Senior Minister's Sabbath</i> 7:00 PM Youth Outlook (youth can begin arriving at 6:30pm)	2 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i>	3 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 1:00 PM Committee on Ministries Meeting
4 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 10:00 AM Worship and Summer Church School (K-5); Social Hour at 11am 11:30 AM UU Atheism/Humanism Study Group	5 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 7:00 PM AA Group Meeting 7:00 PM Adult RE - "Still Living in the Present Moment" 7:30 PM Technology Committee Meeting	6 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Sacred Harp Singing 7:30 PM Program & Administrative Councils	7 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> <i>Senior Minister's Day Off</i> 12:00 PM "Healthy Habits" Group 7:00 PM UU Buddhism Meditation and Study Group 7:30 PM GAS AA	8 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> <i>Senior Minister's Sabbath</i> 7:00 PM Youth Outlook (youth can begin arriving at 6:30pm) 7:30 PM Small Group Ministry	9 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> 9:00 AM PIONEER deadline	10 <i>Acting DRE on Medical Leave</i> YRUU Habitat for Humanity Trip Begins
11 10:00 AM Worship and Summer Church School (K-5); Social Hour at 11am 10:45 AM Finance Committee Meeting 11:00 AM Commit to Knit 11:30 AM Social Justice Committee Meeting 12:30 PM Membership Committee Meeting 1:00 PM Coming of Age Program 7:00 PM 2nd Sunday (Story Tellers) Covenant Group	12 1:30 PM Women's Guild 7:00 PM AA Group Meeting 7:00 PM Adult RE - "Still Living in the Present Moment" 7:00 PM Reiki Discussion Group	13 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:30 PM Board of Directors	14 <i>Senior Minister's Day Off</i> 7:00 PM UU Buddhism Meditation and Study Group 7:30 PM GAS AA	15 <i>Senior Minister's Sabbath</i> 9:15 AM Simple Living Circle (meeting off-site) 7:00 PM Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Youth Outlook (youth can begin arriving at 6:30pm)	16 <i>Congregational Administrator on Vacation</i> 7:00 PM Friday Flicks	17 <i>Congregational Administrator on Vacation</i> YRUU Habitat for Humanity Trip Ends 3:30 PM Small Group Ministry
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Our Covenant (written in 1842)

Being desirous of promoting practical goodness in the world, and of aiding each other in our moral and religious improvement, we have associated ourselves together — not as agreeing in opinion, not as having attained universal truth in belief or perfection in character, but as seekers after truth and goodness.

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Our Mission Statement

The Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva is a diverse, welcoming community which endeavors to make its Covenant a living reality. We provide religious education and opportunities for spiritual growth. We encourage individual and mutual responsibility as together we work to be a liberal religious voice in the community and a force for compassionate social justice.

— adopted by the congregation May 19, 1996

The next Pioneer deadline is July 9, 2010 at 9am. Please send all articles to BOTH office@uusg.org AND minister@uusg.org.