



The HUU Review

The purpose of our religious community is to support each other in our various inward journeys toward truth. We will endeavor to do this in an atmosphere of mutual acceptance, openness and friendship. Committed social action on behalf of the local and global communities will be a natural expression of this purpose.

Harrisonburg Unitarian Universalists ~ One Journey, Many Paths
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THIS IS THE LAST "HUU REVIEW". . .

. . .at least, in the form we have known it. For more about our congregation's future communication prospects, suggestions and input requests, see notes from the board, webmaster, and this editor on page 7.

Auction 2010:

HUU's Silent and Live Auction Fundraiser

It's time to think about the HUU Auction 2010. Our auction has been our best fundraiser in past years. In the past we have been able to raise thousands of dollars at this auction due to the generosity of members and friends, both in their donations and purchases. Not only is it fun to sell your goods or services, but you can enjoy your purchases over the next year, whether they be entertainment, a pot of soup or a trip to the theatre. Here are pertinent dates for this year's auction. (Details and donation forms may be downloaded from huuweb.org under "What's Happening" at top of left menu on home page.)

- **Sunday February 7**—Last day to turn-in donation contracts and RSVP attendance
- **Saturday February 13, 6:00 PM**—Auction 2010 at HUU

Questions or Donations? Contact the Auction Team:

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- Sarah Cheverton: 540-879-9432 or cheverse@comcast.net
- Merle Wenger: 540-432-1383 or mrfurn@msn.com



New Member Profile --- Willow Kelly

Occupations: Consultant, Facilitator, Teacher, Musician

Family (local): Husband (math professor and musician)
TJ Johnson

Things she likes: I love world music, collaborative, improvisational art and music-making, singing, Middle Eastern drumming, ecstatic rituals, trances and trance dances, humor liberally applied, great coffee, connecting with like-minded people, creating a world I want to live in, continually exploring the arts of self and group transformation, sustainable living, facilitating individuals and groups in discovering hidden talents, power, truth, and confidence, intelligent conversations, the wonder and beauty of nature, and changing the world one action at a time.

Things she doesn't like: Narrow-mindedness – my own and others'. I have often fantasized about creating a bumper sticker that reads "I can't tolerate intolerant people." Ironically, "I" becomes one of "them" – the intolerant. It reminds me to look at my shadow, my subconscious motivations and responses, even when it looks justified and worthy from the outside. Being human is funny.

What brought her to HUU? The idea and a taste of a spiritual community that supports me in my ever evolving search for understanding, interesting and intelligent people, social justice connections, and a sense of local community.

HUU activities: I attended the congregational retreat shortly after attending my first service.

More: I love to talk about philosophy, experiences of the ineffable, challenges and solutions, and other juicy topics. I also love to collaborate in music, facilitation, art, theatre, and other creative expressions; finding ways we are similar and different, learning and trying out new ways of being, inspiring and teaching each other.

A favorite quote: "Community will be the Guru of the Future." - *Thich Nhat Hanh*

Splinters from the Board:

This quarter began with our traditional in-gathering service presented in an experimental new format. Our new pianists, Angela and Hae-jin, supported us with their musical talents. There was wonderful energy and attendance in the RE program throughout the quarter. Many youth and adults made a memorable trip to Washington DC to 'Stand on the Side of Love.' We had a fulfilling and well-attended congregational retreat. We are all enjoying the new parking lot. Church finances have remained balanced: our income was down (largely from loss of our tenant), but expenses were correspondingly lower than anticipated.

The Board hired cleaners, debated how to sustain continued growth in RE program (such as implementing 'safe-congregation' policies), and wished for more fund-raising possibilities. The Board gratefully acknowledges new efforts by the Caring Committee to get organized and trained, by the new Covenant Group Task Force to begin, by the Sunday Services Committee to survey congregation satisfaction with our services (where several voices were raised in articulate criticism and

defense of Joys & Concerns), and by the Shared-Ministry Team for planning and running our retreat. We are all going to miss Chris' editing of this newsletter, and so I end with grateful appreciation for her years of editing and publishing various Splinters, undoubtedly 'sharper' than the present scribbles (ouch :-).

-- *Lincoln Gray, Oct-Dec Board Facilitator*

Splinters from the Membership Committee Chair (ouch!)

Greetings, fellow HUUer's. This is Eric La Frenière (tall guy, long hair, big nose). As your Membership Committee Chair, I'd like to talk to you for a moment about what we're up to these days. I do this not just as a matter of accountability / transparency, but in recognition of the fact that while our committee is a leadership / organizing body, we can't really implement any of our incredibly impressive plans without the participation of the entire HUU congregation. So here's what's up:

WMRA Advertising Drive – Given that (1) many of us already support public radio and that (2) the people who listen to public radio are our demographic, we're asking that you make your donations to public radio through HUU, so that we can use those funds for church "underwriting" (advertising). This year, please please write your WMRA donation check out to HUU, with a note on the "For" line that says "WMRA" in big letters. Of course, while this allows you to kill two birds with one stone (probably not the best metaphor, I know), it shouldn't subtract from the monetary support you regularly provide to HUU; again, the donation is to WMRA through HUU. Let's use this mechanism to reach out to our peeps!

Seasonal Rituals – In an effort to foster experience- and Nature-based spirituality (in accordance with our 7th Principle), we'll be holding Solstice and Equinox Rituals at HUU. These highly participatory events will feature such things as drums, fire, and magical words. Since they occur only quarterly, I ask that you mark them on your calendar now as an intention to support meaningful fun:

- SPRING EQUINOX: Saturday, March 20, 7-9 pm.
- SUMMER SOLSTICE: Monday, June 21, 7-9 pm.
- FALL EQUINOX: Thursday, September 23, 7-9 pm.
- WINTER SOLSTICE: Tuesday, Dec. 21, 7-9 pm.

As you know, our planned, past Winter Solstice Ritual was snowed out (the Goddess said "No"), so we've got some pent up energy to release come spring

HUU Movie Night – Our still-new projection / sound system will officially be used for movie nights at 7 pm, on the last Friday of every month. Any changes to that schedule would be announced at least a week ahead of time. In case you missed the announcement, the first movie shown will be "Julie and Julia" (Rotten Tomatoes Consensus: Boosted by Meryl Streep's charismatic performance as Julia Child, *Julie and Julia* is a light, but fairly entertaining culinary comedy).

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HUU Calendar

Events not otherwise indicated take place at the church. Services, children's religious education (while in session) and/childcare begin Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Please join us after church for a potluck meal the first Sunday of each month. Everything listed here is subject to change! – for updates, see the weekly Order of Service, e-news and/or HUUweb.org. For inclement-weather closings, check WHSV-TV, WSVB (550 AM), <http://www.wHSV.com/closings> and/or <http://HUUweb.org/>

Sunday, Jan. 17: Merle Wenger presents "The Certainty of Uncertainty"

Sunday, Jan. 24: Den Frumen presents "Who's Pulling Your Strings? The Dummy/Ventriloquist in all of us"

Friday, Jan. 29: HUU Movie Night, 7 pm, ""Julie and Julia"

Sunday, Jan. 31: The Rev. Barbro Hansson presents "What's in a Name?"

Sunday, Feb. 7:

- Robin McNallie presents "Mistress Anne Bradstreet: Godly Agnostic"
- Potluck following service.

Saturday, February 13: HUU 2010 Goods and Services Auction, 6:00 PM

Sunday, Feb. 14: The Rev. Kirk Ballin presents a service.

Sunday, Feb. 21: Bob Berrson and Mohammed Hijjah present "Breaking the Silence: A Palestinian and a Jew Speak Out for Peace and Justice in Israel/Palestine"

Sunday, Feb. 28: To be announced

Sunday, March 7:

- The Rev. Bob Hughes presents, "What Happens at the End of our Lives?"
- Potluck following service.

Sunday, March 14: The Rev. Emma Chattin presents "Stewardship Sunday"

Saturday, March 20: Spring Equinox ritual, 7-9 pm.

Sunday, March 21: Service on the Vernal Equinox (TBA)

Sunday, March 28: The Social Justice Committee presents "Justice Sunday"

Sunday, April 4:

- The Rev. Emma Chattin presents an Easter service
- Potluck following service

Upcoming at HUU--

Sunday, May 9: The Rev. Kirk Ballin presents a service

Sunday, May 30: CYCORE (Children's and Youth Committee) presents a service

Sunday, June 13: The Rev. Bob Hughes presents a service

Sunday, June 20: Rabbi Joe Blair presents a service

Monday, June 21: Summer Solstice ritual, 7-9 pm.

District and national UU—

February 5 – 7: District Anti-Racism conference, First UU Church of Richmond. Theme: "*Building the World We Want: Race, Place and Community*"

April 30 - May 2: Thomas Jefferson District Annual Meeting, St. Helena Island, Beaufort, SC

June 23-27, 2010; UUA General Assembly, Minneapolis, MN

June 22-26, 2011; UUA General Assembly, Charlotte, NC

(Splinters from membership chair, CONTINUED)

I'm still taking suggestions for movies worth watching in the future (my email: atomicdsyn@aol.com). Popcorn will be provided at movie nights, and people can stay after for discussion if they wish (some folks just love to talk about movies).

Well, those are the biggies Additionally, I ask that you continue making that special effort to reach out to / include new folks, and invite people to HUU events. Remember, everything we do is participatory / requires your covenanted support: "I am he as you are she as you are me and we are all together." Blessed Be.

--Eric La Frenière

Children's Religious Education

The New Year is off to a great start in Children's RE. After the series of event cancellations due to snowy December, it was wonderful to see so many children, families, and HUU members and friends at the intergenerational service on January 3. Special thanks go to Holly Labbe and Scott Cole for directing, staging, and facilitating the CYCORE service.

Registration

I am happy to welcome new and visiting families to the RE program. If you have not registered your children yet but hope to attend regularly, please consider filling out the registration form at

<http://huuweb.org/registration-form-2009-2010.pdf>.

There is no registration fee for our program, but registering your child(ren) ensures your family's inclusion in important communications about upcoming events. Your registration form also provides the teaching team with important information about allergies or other concerns.

Social Action

CYCORE is beginning to line up intergenerational and kid-friendly social action projects for the spring. If you have a great idea for us to consider, please email huudcre@gmail.com with "RE Social Action" in the subject line.

Planning for 2010-11

Curricula: It might seem early to be thinking of curricula for next year, but as part of the budget-planning process, CYCORE and I are beginning to consider which curricula to order for the nursery and K+ groups to use in 2010-11. If you have a child in the program, I am interested in hearing your thoughts on the thematic direction we should take in the coming year. Most of the preschool curricula offer fundamental messages that support the UU principles and help the children to become comfortable interacting within our church community. The curricula for the older kids generally emphasize one of four themes: Jewish and Christian Heritage; UU Identity and History; World Religions; and

Social Action. Each curriculum draws on all of the UU principles and sources* for its lessons. Contact me at 540-434-6314 or speak to me at church to let me know your preferences.

RE Structure and Programming: This year two new approaches have been particular successful in the RE program: including curricular lessons in the nursery and using a team teaching structure with the older kids. If you have ideas of ways to further strengthen the program in next year's programming, let me know. Have you been thinking of getting involved in the program? Participants need not be parents to join the teaching team or CYCORE. Speak to me, Holly Labbe or Chris Spiller if you would like to help contribute to any aspect of the program.

Due to lack of necessity, I will no longer be offering "office hours" on Tuesday evenings. Please continue to feel free to call me on my home phone or my cell phone or to meet with me in person to discuss your children's involvement or any aspects of the program. Thanks!

--Julie Caran, Director of Children's Religious Education
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Wheel of Life 

Ociel Benjamin Brook-Quintero was born to Carol and Orlando Quintero Dec 28 at 12:21 PM at their home. This healthy baby boy came in at 8 lbs, 13 oz and 21 inches long, and everyone is well. Congratulations to Carol, Orlando and Ociel's grandma, Marilyn Brook!

Notes 

An Adult RE class, '**Theology for a Secular Age,**' meets at 8:45 a.m. the first and third Sundays in Jan. and Feb., discussing a presentation with that name by Dr. Galen Guengerich. Details: contact Martha Sider, msider@comcast.net, 540-560-8782

The **Social Justice Committee's** 3rd-Sunday **DANA offering** raised \$183 for the SPCA in Sept/Oct. The Nov. and Dec. beneficiary was the Harrisonburg Children's Museum, and collections in January and February will benefit the HARTS winter homeless shelter project. Thanks to all who support these collections, AND our first-Sunday food drives!

At least two of our three former ministers are on Facebook: **Byrd Tetzlaff**, who just retired on disability from pastoring the UU fellowship in Bakersfield, Ca. (and continues creating with polymer clay), and U.S. Army Chaplain **George Tyger**, who posted that he was happy to be home for Christmas. The UUA website, by the way, lists all ministers' current or recent posts including **Marlene Walker's** service as interim pastor in West Lafayette, IN.)



Avatar

A film review by Eric LaFrenière

In case you're living under a rock, James Cameron's "Avatar" opened over the holidays (spoilers follow). At first glance, the immensely popular film might appear to be just another swaggering Hollywood action blockbuster, albeit one whose cutting-edge 3D technology truly evokes a sense of wonder ("You are not in Kansas anymore"). But interestingly enough, it's been blasted by commentators on both ends of the political spectrum.

Those on the left — who crave complexity — brand "Avatar" a childish redemption fantasy undermining necessary guilt generated by American imperialism, while those on the right — who crave conformity — denounce it as pernicious anti-American propaganda undermining necessary faith in a transcendent God. Not surprisingly, both sides may have their points, and both may have missed the real point of the movie.

Yes, "Avatar" may offend if it can't (within two-and-a-half hours) present in sufficient detail an alien race obviously intended to stand in for real-world indigenous peoples threatened by colonial powers. The Na'vi may be a bundle of primitivist stereotypes (as opposed to a racist caricature), just as the movie's naive protagonist may be a bundle of heroic stereotypes — and the way he quickly jumps the ladder to the top rungs of Na'vi society may both enable the romantic idea of American superiority and undermine the legitimacy of native cultures.

Yes, many of the corporate "hired gun" characters may have originally served in some national military not overly-focused on helping its veterans. The American-looking mercenaries (think Blackwater) — whose ultimate job is to forcefully separate the natives from their valuable natural resources — may suffer improbable defeat at the hands of "savages" without advanced weaponry (think Little Big Horn). And Pandora / Eywa may be Gaia by another name, which means the Na'vi — the ultimate tree-huggers — worship an imminent nature Goddess.

Still, "Avatar" remains a vital work of art because it is mythic in the presentation of its hypercritical message, which is simply this: For the love of money, we're ravaging our Earth. "There is no green" on "their dying world," we're told, because "they've killed their Mother." Myths resurface in times of cultural need. Right now, we're living in a society that utterly objectifies and commodifies much of nature (for example, the cutely named "unobtainium" = oil and the lands containing deposits thereof). Since humanity is part of nature's interdependent web, we're objectifying other people, too — and even ourselves. The greatest evil that stalks our world is a cancerous failure of relation (a lack of "I see you"), usually born of stupid greed.

Spiritually, traditional monotheism may be seen as a failure to relate to what theologian Paul Tillich called the Ground of Being, which is forever-fertile (feminine) and eternal (we know that energy can neither be created nor destroyed, that "all energy is only borrowed"). If humanity isn't actually the centerpiece of any creation, then we need a more plausible, less exploitive metaphor for the sacred than what amounts to the ego writ large. Backed up by green cyberpunk (and neatly inverting the alien invasion cliché), Cameron turns to pantheism.

What is pantheism? It's simply the idea that "God" is the entire Cosmos, that is, all of nature. So-called "primitive" cultures were typically pantheistic, and scientists like Albert Einstein and Steven Hawking have expressed pantheistic sentiments, so it's a perspective with both ancient appeal and contemporary caché. Pantheism explains why the gorgeous biosphere of Pandora figures so prominently in Cameron's film; the living Eywa is his most lovingly (even worshipfully) depicted character.

If "Avatar" has any lasting significance, it will be in terms of its impact on the minds of the viewing public. The left doesn't need to be convinced that nature needs defending, and the right apparently can't be convinced. But the vast majority of folks — those somewhere in the middle — want to be convinced. Perhaps Cameron, like some shamanic healer of old, might really make a difference with his high-tech myth-making.

In Support of Literalism

A reflection by Merle Wenger

Moving from a more fundamentalist religious background to the arena of liberal religious thought has been both freeing and energizing to me. I am always keen to compare the two states and understand their difference. Recently reading Paul Tillich's Dynamics of Faith, I appreciated this passage:

One should distinguish two stages of literalism, the natural and the reactive. The natural stage of literalism is that in which the mythical and the literal are indistinguishable. The primitive period of individuals and groups consists in the inability to separate the creations of symbolic imagination from the facts which can be verified through observation and experiment. This stage has a full right of its own and should not be disturbed up to the moment when man's questioning mind breaks the natural acceptance of the mythological visions as literal.

Tillich challenges us to accept the safe and certain world of those who live with unbroken myths. "The radical criticism of the myth is due to the fact that the primitive mythological consciousness resists the attempt to interpret the myth of the myth."

These thoughts both comfort and challenge my thinking. They comfort me when thinking about so many people whom I love or who have loved me, yet live in the world of the literal myth. The challenge is understanding

how difficult it is to create peace in a world where gangs, brotherhoods and religious zealots use literalism to support violence.

The Family:

The Secret Fundamentalism at the Heart of American Power, by Jeff Sharlet (2008).

A book review (with digressions) by Chris Edwards

For nearly 75 years they've quietly reassured rich, powerful, conservative men that God is on their side – this quasi-official, quasi-lobbying elite profiled in Jeff Sharlet's *The Family*. Promoting "leadership led by God," the group publicly organizes the innocuous National Prayer Breakfasts, while less publicly, but globally, courting men with power because such men are (notwithstanding their deeds) "chosen by God." The Family gives Jesus a makeover, turning him into a macho, iron-fisted warrior for unregulated markets who lovingly supports genocidal dictators, homophobic Ugandan leaders, and numerous prominent American politicians. A few of the latter's personal and financial scandals -- exposed since the book's publication -- have shed the unwelcomed light of day on this "C Street house" group. . . .as has anti-gay legislation proposed by Family-affiliated leaders in Uganda. (U.S. members of the Family have renounced that proposal's most extreme tenet, which calls for executing gays.)

If Sharlet had limited his book's scope to the Family, it could have been much shorter, but to cover the whole story of fundamentalism in America – from which he shares fascinating episodes – would have required a far longer tome. Despite this structural defect, I found it an excellent read. Sharlet began his research embedded among Family leaders-in-training – sharing these young men's living quarters, sports and prayers. (Meanwhile, young women Family acolytes were demurely cleaning the men's quarters and cooking). I admire how Sharlet walks an embedded reporter's thin line of neither letting his subjects co-opt him nor making them feel betrayed. Mixing empathy with dismay, Sharlet repeatedly shows us nice, normal, likeable people, many with good

educations, who nevertheless hold deeply disturbing worldviews. I agree with the reviewer who suggested not reading this book alone at night!

A recurring theme that caught my attention is how methods and styles get transmitted between unlikely sources. Sharlet shows how the Marxist "cell group" structure morphed into top-down-controlled "house churches," established both by the Family and by dazzling, Disneyish megachurches such as the one at Colorado Springs formerly led by Ted Haggard (whom Sharlet interviewed in detail). He shows similarities between consumer-focused megachurches and global corporations, while quoting Family leaders praising the Mafia's acumen.

The Rachel Maddow Show (where Sharlet is a frequent guest) recently aired an old video of Family leader Doug Coe describing a cruel test of loyalty that Hitler imposed on top aides, and saying God expects the same of his children. Sharlet's book quotes Coe as recommending "Hitler, Pol Pot, Osama bin Laden and Lenin" as models for gaining power.

Not for their values, mind you; just strategy. Yet I can't imagine moving further from the Sermon on the Mount!

I also can't help but wonder about a trend within the UU community to borrow strategy, style and perhaps substance from both the corporate and conservative megachurch models. No doubt these institutions haul in the numbers. (The Colorado Springs church has a flock of 7,000!). And to care more about an organization's purpose than its numerical growth may be heresy anywhere in bigness-obsessed America. Yet a few among us are wary of banks growing "too big to fail," and take heart in the "locavore" movement. I was glad to see that *UU World* received protests after Michael Durall, a church organizational consultant, stated in the Fall 2009 issue that "The fourth Unitarian Universalist Principle, 'A free and responsible search for truth and meaning,' is the quintessential private spirituality and may be detrimental to future growth."

Really? Maybe all this is about the end justifying the means, but what if means become ends?

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY:

Live a good life. If there are gods and they are just, they will not care how devout you have been, but will welcome you based on the virtues you have lived by. If there are gods, but unjust, then you should not want to worship them. If there are no gods, then you will be gone, but will have lived a noble life that will live on in the memories of your loved ones. --Marcus Aurelius, emperor and philosopher (121-180 C.E.)

The "HUU REVIEW": "Swan song" and the future

The Board recognizes the important role that the "HUU Review" has played in both communicating and archiving the vibrancy of HUU, and we are committed to exploring with the congregation how best to meet these needs in the months and years to come. If you have ideas or opinions about communication models and archiving --- blogging, weblinks, printed newsletters, or would like to volunteer to help in creating such a mechanism --- please contact any Board member. In the interim, the Board will regularly post 'Splinters from the Board' in the e-news as we work to keep the channels for congregational communication open. Again, we express our sincere thanks to Chris Edwards for her years of dedicated service in producing the HUU Review."

—Holly Labbe (for the HUU Board)

"Swan song" – by Chris Edwards

I can hardly believe I have edited this newsletter for nine years! I started in the fall of 2000, about 10 years into both HUU's and the "HUU Review's" existence (becoming, I think, the fourth editor). It's been a good ride. Now, new roads beckon (as they should always do), and the time feels right for it to end.

The capacity has developed for placing everything on our website that has gone in the print newsletter, and more: calendar, board and committee reports, special events, photos, sermons, and sharing of ideas and creativity. Until now, as costs have risen, we've continued to print the quarterly newsletter for a mailing list of around 130, struggling with how to keep getting it where it should go without sending "junk mail" to many no-longer-familiar names.

I'm a lover of print over cyberspace myself, and mourn the dying print media. The lovely pen the board gave me matches my taste for older technology. I empathize with the few remaining HUU'ers who don't use computers, and hope accommodations can be made. Yet I have watched this particular communication tool become redundant, while at the same time wanting to step back from church organizational commitments.

Online is a different world. It's actually better, in some important ways. You are more responsible for your own proofing and editing, and less limited by deadlines and space.

So, if you haven't yet taken advantage of HUUweb.org, the nationally-recognized site set up by webmaster Pat Geary, check it out. See below for Pat's guide to exploring it and posting on it. **(HEY! I JUST POSTED THIS MYSELF ON THE WEBSITE'S COMMUNITY CAFÉ! IF I CAN, YOU CAN!)**

This newsletter, and I, owe thanks to more people than space permits. Recent pages have benefited from Julie Caran's thorough religious ed. write-ups; Bernie Mathes' contribution of the "Wheel of Life" column; reports from board, committee and Shared-Ministry Team members and General Assembly-goers; essays and reviews by members including Jim Geary, Eric LaFrenière and Merle Wenger; and all the photographers, artists, survey repliers, New Member Profile sharers, and gatherers of news, quotes and jokes.

Last but not least are newsletter team members Norm Lawson (mailer), Pat (aforementioned computer guru), Meredith Moore (office administrator and source

of the indispensable e-news), Deb Stevens-Fitzgerald (our "angel" who for several years has faithfully provided for the printing service and brought the newsletters to church collated and folded). . and finally, Robin McNallie: proofreader, punster and patient listener to this editor's rants. :-)

Hope we'll meet online.

HUU website: a guide – by Pat Geary

HUUweb.org is our face on the Internet. It contains information for visitors as well as members and friends. The site consists of three parts:

HUUweb.org is our static website. Here you can find upcoming services, info on committees and groups, past sermons and much more. If you are planning to present or facilitate a Sunday Service, the materials you need can be downloaded from the [Worship service materials](#) page. During the winter season, church closings will be posted to the top of the left hand menu. I invite you to explore the site and see what is offered. Suggestions and contributions are always welcome. I'd love to see some new content, like "Meet Our Members" or "Why We Come."

Each of the other parts on the site is also accessed through HUUweb.org:

[HUU Event Calendar](#) lists the events at HUU in a calendar format. If you have regular committee meetings or groups, as well as special events, they can be posted here. You can either send the info to pat@HUUweb.org or I can create a username and password for you to enter the information.

[HUU Community Café](#) is a WordPress Blog where YOU can contribute articles and announcements. The latest sermons are posted here and you can continue the dialogue with the speaker. You can add comments OR you can ask me for authorship privileges and add your contribution. From HUUweb.org, go to Community Café; then click on "Blog Instructions" in top left corner.

Since this will be our last print newsletter, I would suggest the Community Café can fill in for at least some of the newsletter's content. All we need are willing volunteers to either send me the information to post OR better yet, become an author or post the information yourself. If you use a word processor you can post on the blog just as easily.

--Pat Geary, webmaster

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Red Tent: Women's book group meets first Saturdays; contact Mary Hahn, 833-5156

Social Justice: Chair, Mary Hahn, 833-5156; Mary@huuweb.org. Meets 3rd Sundays, noon, at church.

Sunday Services: 3rd Sunday, 12:15 pm, chair, Bernie Mathes, 433-3424; mathes@rice.edu

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Keep in touch by these info channels:

- HUU website, huuweb.org.
- Unitarian Universalist Association: www.uua.org
- Weekly e-news: Submit items by Wednesday morning to Meredith Moore, office administrator, office@HUUweb.org.
- Announcements: To send a brief, church-related announcement to all HUU members and friends, email hUU-announcements@huuweb.org
- Sunday Orders of Service: Submit information on services, and announcements for printing in the Order of Service, to Pat Geary, webmaster, 433-1040; pat@HUUweb.org, by Thursday noon.
- Online Community Café: <http://HUUweb.org/community-cafe/>
- For any HUU online-related questions: contact Pat Geary, webmaster, 433-1040; Pat@HUUweb.org.

***So keep fightin' for freedom and
 justice, beloveds, but don't you forget
 to have fun doin' it.***

Lord, let your laughter ring forth.

--Molly Ivins (1944-2007)

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