

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Yellow

Newsletter

April, 2013



Calendar of Programs

Sunday, April 7

Friends of Education, Honduras

Over 20 years ago, Lottie and Leonard B. began dedicating their lives to improving the opportunities available to rural schoolchildren in Santa Barbara, Honduras.

While they have worked on many different programs, two have lasted and grown to become their full-time focus: the mobile lending library, which provides books to schools lacking reading materials; and the *Futures* program, enabling girls to attend school beyond elementary levels. These efforts keep young girls in school who would otherwise have started raising families by age 14, remaining trapped in and contributing to a cycle of poverty.

Note: Due to unforeseen health concern, Lottie and Leonard will not be able to return to the States in time to present on their program, but we are fortunate to have their son, Bengt Gregory-B., to present on their behalf.

11:45—Potluck Luncheon

Please bring food to share and your own table setting.

Sunday, April 14

10:00—Transforming Negative Self-Talk: A Practical How-to Experience

A presentation by Rubin B., based on the book by Steve Andreas (*Transforming negative Self-Talk. Practical Effective Exercises*).

Rubin will first present the background of how negative self-talk—messages that were given to us when we were younger by significant people in our lives—affects us in many ways. And, how they stay with us and affect how we behave in many circumstances as we grow older.

Attendees will be led through a variety of exercises that will help them move beyond these limiting statements and free them of those old and now irrelevant messages.

Sunday, April 21

The Psychology of Climate Change: What Makes This So Difficult?

Present by Kirk L. R., Ph.D., Clinical Neuropsychologist. President Carter said in the late 70's that our decision about energy would test the will of the American people. Forty years later, we're still struggling with our energy addiction that is feeding climate change. Addressing this is a cultural thinking problem, not a data problem.

Dr. R. is currently the Clinical Psychology Training Director at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Over the past 4 years he's spoken on this issue at numerous universities and within the Air Force. He's written brief articles about the psychology of change in regards to energy and climate and was recently given the innovation award at Wright-Patterson A.F.B for his work in this area.

11:45—Souper Sunday

Soup prepared by various members.

Please bring food to share and your own table setting.

Sunday, April 28

10:00—Welcome the Summer!

Celebrated in many Gaelic cultures as Beltane and among Germanic peoples as Walpurgisnacht, the First of May is an important time in many pagan religious traditions. A cross-quarter day halfway between the Spring equinox and Summer Solstice, celebrations often include ritual fires and drumming to ward away any negative forces that might arise at this time when the veil between worlds is thin. This is also the traditional date to erect a Maypole and dance around it, celebrating fertility and the awakening of life with the return of the sun.

Bengt Gregory-B. will talk briefly on the historical traditions. Rituals of celebration will follow.



Dear Friends and Family,

In two months we will be walking with Lilly's S. in the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's Great Strides Walk on Sunday May 19th in Dayton, Ohio at Island Metro Park to fund research for finding a cure for Lilly and 30,000 other CF patients.

Please look at our web site to see our progress

[www.cff.org/Great Strides/RuthLapp7398](http://www.cff.org/Great_Strides/RuthLapp7398)

and join our team to help make CF stand for Cure Found!

Ruth and Hank L.

UUFYS Executive Board

Officers Elected June 2012

President—To be determined

Secretary—Joann H.

Treasurer—Mary S.

Members at Large:

Bobbi T.

James O.

Veronica D.

Christina P.

Committee Meeting Times

Here are the committee meeting times. All committees encourage new members; you may sit in on a session without committing to it.

Executive Board—Meets the 2nd Sunday of every month.

Member Services—Meets the 4th Sunday of month.

New Members—Meets last Sunday of the month.

Program—Meets first Sunday of the month.

Social Justice—Meets 3rd Sunday of the month [except July and August]

Interested in Joining?

Are you a frequent visitor, new to UUism but interested in knowing more about this denomination or membership in the UUF? Or perhaps a previous UU who is new to this area? We have two programs for you.

- Monthly drop-in question and answer sessions during the potluck lunch on the first Sunday of each month. Look for the special table for an informal talk about UUism and this congregation.
- More structured information sessions about joining this Fellowship as a formal member.

Please contact Mary S., Chair of the Member Services Committee, at:

767-1603

or

shbuzz2001@sbcglobal.net.

She is happy to answer your questions.

This newsletter is published monthly. Please submit contributions no later than the **next-to-the-last Sunday of each month**, to Peg P. at:

petefine@woh.rr.com



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Yellow Springs
TAR HOLLOW CAMPOREE
May 17 – 19, 2013

Spring is here! It's time to sign up! Tar Hollow Camporee is only six weeks away. The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Yellow Springs would like to invite everyone to join us on our 49th annual outing to Tar Hollow State Park. Fair weather or foul—we always have a great time.

We use Tar Hollow's group camp area, which has a lodge with full kitchen, many rustic cabins with bunks for up to eight people, bath houses with hot showers, a lake for swimming, boating and fishing, wooded trails, a mountain bike trail and nearby a miniature golf course. All meals will be provided.

Registration: Please complete the registration form on the reverse side (**page 4 of this newsletter**) and return it with your check not later than **Monday, May 6th**. If for any reason you must cancel your registration, we will refund your money if notified by May 13th.

Financial Aid: Funds are available if financial assistance is needed; please note on the registration form the amount you would be able to pay.

Assigned Duties: Our planning for meals, assigned duties, etc. depends upon your cooperation. Everyone will be asked to help out in some way; e.g., preparing meals, washing dishes, **building** campfires, babysitting, supervising the waterfront, and cleaning up.

On Sunday afternoon everyone is asked to stay until 3:00 P.M. so that we can be sure that the lodge and cabins are cleaned to the rangers' specifications. In a later mailing you will receive maps, a list of things to bring, and your duty assignment. I'll try to honor your requests, but first come first served. So get your registration form in early!

Car Pooling: If you need a ride or have extra room in your vehicle, please note this on the registration form. We will try to match riders and drivers.

Young People/Guests: Some youngsters wish to attend Tar Hollow but their parents are unable to do so. While it *is* most agreeable for a family to invite a young friend to go with it, it is another matter for a youngster to ask a family to "sponsor" him/her to go to Tar Hollow. Please discourage this matter of asking to be "sponsored." We ask that each of your children limit her/himself to one guest. Parents will exercise responsibility over their child's behavior and that of her/his guest.

Liability Waiver: If you are bringing a guest under the age of 18, please have his/her parent fill out and sign the **Medical Release form**. Also please fill out and sign the **Liability Waiver** and mail these forms with your registration.

Fun: *Let's* start setting our expectations for a warm, sunny beautiful weekend and anticipate a time of fun and fellowship.

Corrie Van A.
 YStarHollow@gmail.com

Registration form on next page...(page 4 of this newsletter).

Tar Hollow Registration

May 17, 18, 19, 2013

2 nights, all meals

1 night, 2 meals

Adults (12+ years): _____ @ \$40= \$ _____ @ \$25= \$ _____

Children (3-12): _____ @ \$30= \$ _____ @ \$20= \$ _____

Infants under 3: Free

Financial assistance: Amount you can afford to pay: \$ _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____ check payable to **Y.S. Unitarian Fellowship**

Your name _____

Your address _____

Names of adults over 12 _____

Names and ages of children 3-12 _____

DUTY SIGN-UP

All adults are requested to sign up for one job; use name or initials as space allows

NEW JOB: Kitchen crew boss. Each meal will be run by a boss who will have attended a brief training session . If you want to be a boss, signify with a "B" after your name.

COOK SET-UP & SERVE CLEAN-UP WASH DISHES

Fri. night snack _____ _____ _____

Sat. breakfast _____ _____ _____

Sat. lunch _____ _____ _____

Sat. supper _____ _____ _____

Sat. snack _____ _____ _____

Sun. brunch _____ _____ _____

Waterfront supervisors: Friday evening _____ Saturday morning _____

Saturday afternoon _____ Sunday morning _____ Sunday PM _____

Haul wood, build fires, bonfire _____ 1st aid _____ Campfire program _____

Reception host/ess _____

Checkout supervisor _____

ALL ARE EXPECTED TO STAY ON SUNDAY UNTIL THE CAMP IS CLEAN.

Please return this form and payment by **Monday, May 6** to:

Eden M., 101 Tower Ct, Yellow Springs 45387

Pictures of Fellowship Life

by Peter W.



From top left, clockwise: Dr. Iveta J. who spoke on *Czech Women's Lives and Struggles for Equality*; Jim R. "backstage" for the *Building our Future* program; Sandra L. and Sam Y. telling us about *Talking to the Maasai*; an intrepid member in our younger group; and Doug S. and Leslie G., owners of *Peach Mountain Organics*

And don't forget:



General Assembly: A Meeting of Congregations

[General Assembly \(GA\)](#) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through democratic process. Anyone may attend; congregations must certify annually to send voting delegates.

[Registration](#) and [Housing Reservations](#) will be available **March 1**

[Volunteer](#) and [Scholarship](#) Applications will be available **March 1**

[The General Assembly 2013 Schedule](#)

[Why Louisville?](#)

Most General Assembly events will be held in the Kentucky International Convention Center, 221 Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40202. [Google Map](#).

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Yellow Springs
P.O. Box 480
Yellow Springs OH 45387-1480