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FIRST PARISH CHURCH
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
P.O. Box 1764, Duxbury, MA 02331

 JUNE 2014 

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 8th -- **"What Is It About The Bible?"** - Our Monday-night Bible discussion group that has been meeting in the Parlor throughout the year – but why? What's the point? Why bother? Two of the attendees (Duxbury member Liz Polvinen and Kingston member Rosemary Donahoe) will join Intern Minister Tom Bozeman to answer these questions and to talk about how they value the experience.

June 15th -- **Flower Communion Sunday** - This Worship is a tradition that is uniquely Unitarian Universalist. It is our opportunity to recognize that our strength as a community of faith stems from our sharing with one another. **Please remember to bring a flower (or two) with you and join us for our special, last regular worship together before the Summer!**

June 22nd – **1st Fisherman's Service, 8:00a.m. out on the patio!** – "Poetry", **Please join us for our first Fisherman's Service!** Bring a poem that is important to you. Either one you might have written or one that is special that you can share with the group.

June 29th – **8:00a.m. Fisherman's Service** – Topic to be determined. Our service will be completed in time for everyone to hop on the bus to G.A. at 8:30!

COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 4

Building & Grounds 9:00-11:00a.m.

THURSDAY JUNE 5

Book Club 9:00a.m.

Alliance 10:00-2:00p.m.

Baccalaureate 7:00p.m.

Worship 7:00p.m.

SATURDAY JUNE 7

HAUL DAY

DIC Meeting – Holy Family 9:00a.m.

SUNDAY JUNE 8

Social Justice 9:00a.m.

Sr. Choir 9:30a.m.

Worship 10:30a.m.

Denom. Affairs GA Meeting after church

Buddhist Group 5:00-6:30p.m.

MONDAY JUNE 9

Church Fair Week

Welcome Congregation 7:00p.m.

Finance Committee 7:00 p.m.

Bible 7:00p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 10

Memoirs 7:15p.m.

Bell Choir 7-8:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 11

Kindred Spirits 10:00-11:30p.m.

RE Retreat – Cedar Hill 6:30p.m.

THURSDAY JUNE 12

Book Club 9:00 a.m.

Alliance 10-2:00 p.m.

Govern. Board Agenda Mtg. 7:00 p.m.

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MINISTER...

Every day I see or hear something that more or less kills me with delight, that leaves me like a needle in the haystack of light.

It was what I was born for -to look, to listen, to lose myself inside this soft world -to instruct myself over and over in joy, and acclamation...

Oh, good scholar, I say to myself, how can you help but grow wise with such teachings as these -the untrimmable light of the world, the ocean's shine, the prayers that are made out of grass?

From "Mindful" by Mary Oliver

Dear Friend,

Hard to believe, but another church year is coming to a close!

Speaking of closing, the church office will close on July 3rd for summer recess (we'll reopen mid-August). Your minister will be taking vacation and study-leave time, but as always, is available for pastoral emergencies (best way to reach me is cell: 781-635-5906).

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A liberal religious community dedicated to nurturing individual spiritual development, promoting understanding and working for social justice.

We welcome people of all races, backgrounds and sexual orientations.

Rev. Catherine Cullen, Minister
Sunsue Fleming, Director of Religious Education
Edwin Swanborn, Music Director
Elaine Stephansky, Bell Choir Director

Rev. Robert R. Walsh, Minister Emeritus
Jackie Smith-Miller, Director of Religious Education, Emerita
Lenore O'Malley, Church Administrator
Alex Pevzner, Jr., Junior Choir Director

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But before this church year ends there are still some wonderful opportunities for you:

- We now are filling *our second bus* for a one-day trip to General Assembly in Providence on Sunday, June 29th. Consider joining your minister for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience what it's like when UU's "take over a town" for our annual meeting—and the Sunday morning worship service will be one of the best worship experiences you will ever have—guaranteed--**AND IT'S ALL FREE!!**
FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND! Register with Lenore (781-934-6532).
- Whether or not you are going to GA, consider attending next Sunday's after-church meeting, where our Denominational Affairs Committee will be taking a straw poll on proposed denominational study-action issues (so our delegates will know the will of our congregation). *This meeting will also have more information about our one-day bus trip and a hand-out for those who are attending GA for longer than one-day.*
- *Help out at the best event of the year—OUR SUMMER FAIR!* Volunteers receive a 50% discount on fair tee shirts (compliments of your minister and the Summer Fair Committee). And if you can't volunteer, ***come on by!!***
- Say "good-by" to church family friends at our Annual Flower Communion -the last "formal worship" for this church year. *I know we are all tired after the Fair, but it's so nice for us all to be together one more time before summer recess!*

AND AFTER ALL THESE EVENTS, LET THE SUMMER BEGIN!!

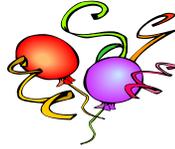
My hope for you this summer is that you find many "prayers that are made out of grass" and come back to church in September all rested and renewed!!

Catherine



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Sunday **“Balloon Sunday”**



Balloon Sunday was a wonderful celebration of our year together. Thanks to everyone who participated in the service and congratulations to all who received recognition.

A special **THANKS** to all the 7th and 8th grade youth who helped blow up balloons. **THANK YOU** to the members of our Hospitality Committee for providing such a great lunch.

Sunday, June 15 – Infant & Child Dedication Service

A dedication Ceremony will be held during the Worship Service on Sunday, June 17. Sunsue and Catherine will co-officiate. Parents, the church school and congregation will welcome the children and dedicate themselves to the important work of supporting parents in raising their child. Please contact Sunsue or Catherine if you would like your child dedicated at this service.

Church School Registration

Thanks to everyone who took the time to register his or her children for next year. Those of you who have not registered, please mail in your registration forms as soon as possible. Members of the Religious Education Committee will be calling to remind those who have not yet registered. Remember it is important to register young people who will be attending the toddler area through the high school. In August we will be making important decisions as to which classes to run and which classrooms to use for each age group, so it is very important we have an accurate account of church school members before the fall.

Church School Curriculum

Church school leaders – Have you turned in your curriculum? Please bring your curriculum and any other materials used during church school to the RE office ASAP. Thanks!

Toddler Care and Childcare

Now that church school has ended, our RE space quickly turns into storage and sorting area for fair items. In the past, we have continued to offer toddler care through June, but due to safety reasons and fair needs, we will not be offering toddler care again until our program starts again in September. We encourage families with older children to stay in the service. Oliver Worsh-Farnum, our church school assistant will be available in the parlor to help with you and your younger child who may need to leave the service. The classrooms will not be available however for childcare.



Rocks Needed For Our Labyrinth

We are moving forward with our plans for a walking labyrinth. This labyrinth will be placed at the bottom of the hill behind the parking lot. We now need **rocks!** Please start bringing rocks from your yard or beach the size of a cabbage or bigger. We will need lots of rocks. Please place them on the red line of the labyrinth which is down the path to the town forest at the back of the parking lot.

Women's Summer Solstice **Monday, June 23rd at 7:30p.m. in the Parlor**

G.A. Parent Youth Meeting **Sunday, June 15th at 12:00 noon**

MEMOIRS

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, June 10th, 2014** – We will gather to share “Restaurant Stories”. Have you eaten in a unique restaurant? Or have an unusual restaurant story to share? If you are interested, but have never participated, feel free to come and just listen. Everyone Welcome! Hope you can join us!

Leader: Jackie Smith-Miller.



June & July Birthdays

Happy Birthday to All!

June Birthdays

Sophie Worsh-Farnum	Griffin Wagner
Cole Alexanderson	Melanie Pearson
Madelyn Quinn	James Conner
Nathan Lesure	Gregory Langner
Mae Nappellio	Anya Teehan
Kollin Holt	Katy Mullen
Haile Wagner	Ben Brandeis
	Marin Lloyd

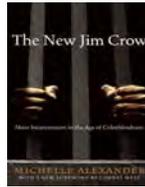
July Birthdays

Oliver Worsh-Farnum	Sarah Lillys
Emilia Wagner	Dylan Geder
Samuel Clifford	Julia Conner
Sophie Bulman	Iris Pevzner
Austin Carver	Vika Schweitzer
Cassie Burke	Gus Nappellio
Sam Brandeis	



Ringing Out Justice!

News of social justice activities at First Parish Church



FY '15 Church Read "The New Jim Crow" by Michelle Alexander

Pick up a copy of this important book at coffee hour. This Fall FPC will hold discussions about this book and what our society must do to reform prisons. Most MA leaders consider our prison system to be very broken. Of about 24,000 prisoners housed in MA, approximately half of them don't need to be there. MA recidivism rate is at our nation's rock bottom, only above Alabama. Read about America's penal system and necessary changes that would alter this expensive and unproductive system.

June Social Justice Committee Meetings: Monthly Meeting

The Social Justice Committee monthly meeting will take place on Sunday June 8 at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome and we love to see new faces! We regularly meet on the second Sunday of every month (except July and August) and again, all are welcome!

Planning Meeting for Next Years Social Justice Agenda!!

This very important meeting will be Monday June 16 at 5:30 at Cindy Ladd Fiorini's. We will get together for some pizza and fellowship followed by an agenda-setting meeting. We will review our existing programs and then consider whether the committee would like to continue them and if so if they need any alterations. We will then entertain new ideas from both present committee members as well as members of the congregation as a whole. If you would like to present a new initiative, please know that every program -new or old- needs to have a "point person" overseeing the program. We look forward to seeing you on the 16th. For questions or directions please call Cindy Ladd Fiorini.

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee News:

Thank you- and gratitude- to 75 FPCers who donated to UUSC during FY '14. For those of you who have not donated (perhaps your annual membership/contribution lapsed recently), it's not too late to donate by June 30. **Let's shoot for an even 100 member/donors** by July 1st. Please consider donating at uus.org/donation, or pick up a UUSC envelope at the Social Justice table. **Any level of donation** is valuable and appreciated. Suggested levels are \$10 for Youth, \$20 for Seniors, \$40 for individuals, \$75 for a couple. *\$100 donation will be matched by Shelter Rock Congregation in NY.* Your gifts keep on giving through the Justice Work of UUSC and their Partners! Donate today! Let's hit a bullseye at 100!

Economic Justice: Northwest Arkansas Workers' Justice Center, partnering with UUSC, helps men and women who are working in the poultry processing business defend their rights and demand workplace dignity. These workers, exploited by their employers, experience long hours (10 or more), few bathroom breaks, lack of safety rules, sexual harassment, intimidation to sign their rights away, and threats of deportation. UUSC and NAWJC conducted *Know Your Rights* seminars to encourage

leadership and organizing skills for workers. Together these partners have brought litigation against the companies that steal their workers' wages. To date, UUSC and NAWJC have recovered **\$600,000** in back wages. Deplorable conduct of these companies has been exposed. A forthcoming report will highlight the industry's working conditions. A multimedia campaign for fundamental reform will follow the report, with the goal of bringing consumer pressure and the adoption of labor rights code of conduct for Arkansas and the nation. This productive program puts YOUR UUSC gifts into action for Social Justice and systemic change! visit uusc.org/arkansas

Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry News:

Thank you FPC! UUUM and the Social Justice Committee are grateful for your special collection gifts of **\$912 for Roxbury kids** to attend creative arts camps in the Boston area! Your generosity is awe-some and awe-inspiring. Think of the smiles on the kids' faces and what they will experience for 5 weeks this summer!

Sign up to Help Host at UUUM Renewal House Picnic for Victims of Domestic Violence
Each year, Kingston UU Church hosts a day-long picnic at a Plymouth campground for about 50 women and children - current and former residents of Renewal House, a shelter in Roxbury for families fleeing domestic violence. UUs from Duxbury and Plymouth have enjoyed helping out over the past few years. Please consider volunteering to participate in any capacity for all or part of the day. – women, men and young people. This year's picnic is scheduled for Saturday July 12 at Pinewood Lodge Campground, off 44A - Carver Rd in Plymouth. The day includes three meals, swimming, fishing, arts and crafts—with lots of fun, food, and fellowship.

Volunteers who have attended will tell you that they get as much as they give from this joyous program. Imagine an inner-city child seeing, and perhaps even touching his first frog. One young mother said, "I didn't know there were people like you in the world." This is a wonderful opportunity to connect in a personal, meaningful way with women and their children who are trying to rebuild lives that have been shattered by domestic violence.

If you would like more information or to help out (participation, food, and/or donation to Kingston UU), please sign up on the church bulletin board or contact Carol Nappellio, Nancy Nowak, or Donna Savicki. Thank you!!

Unitarian Universalist Mass Action

The next few Sundays, you can sign 2 **petitions for Minimum Wage increase and Sick Time assurance** to be placed on the Nov '14 ballot. You may have signed a petition last Fall; if you're unsure, it's OK to sign again. Your signature only says, "Let's have a citizen vote in Nov." Stop by the social justice table on Sunday mornings, obtain more information, and offer your John or Jane Hancock to the petitions. Most UU's across our state and our country consider passage of these issues a *moral imperative*.

David Wilson of Provincetown, an original plaintiff in the Equal Marriage lawsuit in 2004, spoke at UU Mass Action's 9th annual Advocacy Day held at Arlington St Church in Boston on May 13. David spoke eloquently about his journey as a gay, African American man during the latter part of the 20th century. His words were inspiring, powerful, sad, joyful, illuminating. He experienced happiness, freedom, and wholeness as he married his long-time partner. There were tears in the audience. David's joy is directly related to the power of the Law.

Continued Calendar:

FRIDAY JUNE 13
SUMMER FAIR SET-UP
SATURDAY JUNE 14

164TH ANNUAL CHURCH FAIR! 
8:30a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY JUNE 15
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
FLOWER COMMUNION SUNDAY
 Sr. Choir 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

GA Youth Meeting 12:00 noon
 Buddhist Group 5-6:30p.m.

MONDAY JUNE 16
 Building Use Mtg. 11:00a.m.
 Bible Group 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 17
 Yoga starts in Parlor 8:30a.m.
 Bell Choir 7:00-8:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 18
 Staff Appreciation Cruise, Office Closes
 at 12:00p.m.
 Membership Committee 7:30p.m.

THURSDAY JUNE 19
 Book Club 9:00 a.m.
 Historical Committee 9:30 p.m.
 Alliance 10-2:00 p.m.
 Govern. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY JUNE 20
 Committee on Ministry 4:30 p.m.
 Bay Players Performance

SATURDAY JUNE 21
 Bay Players Performance

SUNDAY JUNE 22
 G.A. Week
 1ST Fisherman's Service 8:00a.m.
 Buddhist Group 5-6:30 p.m.

MONDAY JUNE 23
 Women's Ritual 7:30 p.m.
 Bible Group 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 24
 Bell Choir 7-8:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 27
 Bay Players Performance

SATURDAY JUNE 28
 Community Table 9-1:00p.m.
 Bay Players Performance

SUNDAY JUNE 29
 Fisherman's Service 8:00a.m.

GA BUS TRIP-MEET AT 8:30a.m. 
 Buddhist Group 5-6:30 p.m.

MONDAY JUNE 30
 Bible Group 7:00p.m.

WEDNESDAY JULY 3
 OFFICE CLOSES FOR SUMMER

THURSDAY JULY 4 
 INDEPENDENCE DAY

Happy
Father's
 Day

CARING CONNECTION:

There are many caring members of our church community who are willing to lend a hand to those having a difficult time! The Caring Connection can coordinate meals, transportation, babysitting or visits to shut-ins. For the month of **JUNE**, please call **Caleen Alexanderson**. For **JULY**, please contact **Rejeana Parker** and for **AUGUST**, please contact **Kathy Bray**.

**Minister's Office Hours:**

Catherine's regular office hours are **Mon., Wed., and Thur.** from **11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Tuesdays are her days off and Friday's are her sermon writing days. She may be contacted by cell at (781) 635-5906. If you need to schedule an appointment during office hours or any time after office hours, please feel free to contact Catherine at TheRevCatherine@aol.com, at her cell number, or by leaving a message at the church.

Church Office Hours

The FPC church office is open **Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** **We will be closing the office on July 3rd and will reopen on August 18th, 2014.** Our email address is uuduxbury@verizon.net. Have a Wonderful Summer Everyone!!

People News

Congratulations to **JIM SAVICKI**, who is nominated for the "Duxbury Volunteer of the Year Award."

A new award in honor of **BONNIE JENIGAN-SMITH** has been created as part of the **Duxbury Volunteer of the Year Dinner**.

JUDI VOSE is nominated for the **Speak for Thyself Award** from Alden Kindred of America.

Arrangements have been finalized for **PEG CONNOR'S MEMORIAL SERVICE**. It will held on **July 2nd at 10:30am**. Anybody wishing to contribute to the collation can call Polly Lanman at 781-934-5412.



ON-GOING CHURCH MEETINGS

SUNDAYS - Family/Child Sunday (1st Sun. each month)
 Joys & Concerns (2nd Sun. each month)
 Announcement Sunday (1st & 3rd Sun. each month)
 Silent Joys & Concerns (4th Sun. each month)
 Music Committee (1st Sun. each month) 12 p.m.
 Social Justice 9 a.m. (2nd Sun. each month)
 Welcoming Congregation 9:30 a.m. (3rd Sun. each month)
 Denominational Affairs 12:00 (3rd Sun.)
 Buddhist Meditation 6-7:30p.m. (weekly)

MONDAYS - Build. Use 11 a.m. (4th Mon. each month)
 Finance Committee 7 p.m. (2nd Mon. each month)

TUESDAYS - Hand Bells 7 p.m.
 Memoirs 7:00p.m. (2nd Tues. each month)

WEDNESDAYS - RE Committee 7 p.m. (1st Wed. of each month)
 Staff meeting 11:30 a.m. (weekly)
 Buildings & Grounds 9-11 a.m. (1st Wed. each month)
 "Kindred Spirits" 10-11:30 p.m. (2nd Wed. each month)
 Membership 7:30 p.m. (3rd Wed. each month)

THURSDAYS - Book Group 9 a.m.
 Sewing Group 10 a.m.
 Worship Committee 7:00 p.m. (1st Thurs. each month)
 Agenda Setting 7-8 p.m. (2nd Thurs. each month)
 Governing Board 7 p.m. (3rd Thurs. each month)
 Historical Committee 9:30a.m. (3rd Thurs. of each month)

FRIDAYS - Committee On Ministry 5 p.m. (1st Fri. each month)

SATURDAYS - Brockton Soup Kitchen 9:15 a.m. (4th Sat. each month)



LAST CALL—WE STILL HAVE ROOM ON THE SECOND BUS! (both busses have “facilities!”)



**What is it Like to Sing
 “Spirit of Life” with 8000 Other UU’s?
 YOU ARE INVITED TO
 HOP ON THE BUS WITH US
 FROM FIRST PARISH CHURCH DUXBURY!
 Join us on Sunday, June 29th for a trip to GA 2014 in Providence, RI.**

**8:30am Meet at Parking Lot of First Parish Church,
 842 Tremont Street, Duxbury.**
**10:00am Arrive at Providence :
 Doors Open for Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.**
12-3:00pm Lunch and Visit to UU Exhibit Hall
**3:00pm Depart Providence –
 (Should arrive at Duxbury around 4pm)**

To Make Reservations on our bus, please contact Lenore at (781) 934-6532 or email at uuduxbury@verizon.net. Please Note: Anyone under the age of 18 years old, must be accompanied by an adult. It will be several years before GA is so nearby—don’t miss this opportunity to worship with thousands of UU’s!!

“In Memory Of Maya Angelou” Interning Grace by Intern Minister Tom Bozeman

In the days following Maya Angelou's death in May, much was written about her. Of all the posts flying around the Internet, though, one stuck out to me: an hour-long, televised conversation between Angelou and comedian Dave Chapelle (whose mother was a Unitarian Universalist minister). In the video (which can be found in four parts on youtube.com), Chapelle and Angelou have a wide-ranging discussion. Watching their conversation, I was moved to tears by both the beautiful intimacy of their conversation and the wonderful example it sets of intergenerational mentorship.

How often in our society do unrelated people with a fifty-year age gap communicate with one another so openly, honestly, intimately? One of the few places left where that can happen – where people are likely to interact with those of a different “demographic” – is in church.

So, as we look to decreasing our church involvement in July and August and as we venture out into the world, may we carry with us the value of interacting with those with whom we might not otherwise cross paths. May we help to knit together the fabric of society in ways unexpected and unanticipated.



SUMMER FAIR NEWS!!

The **164th First Parish Church Summer Fair** will be held on **Saturday, June 14th from 8:30am to 2pm**. Volunteers and Donations are greatly needed.

Volunteers: Volunteering for the Summer Fair is an incredibly rewarding experience. Volunteers build new and deeper friendships with fellow UUs and become even more integrated members of our vital and loving church community. The overwhelming amount of help needed requires no expertise whatsoever; however, we are seeking at least one person with collectables/antiques or fine jewelry experience. Whether you donate a full day or just a few hours of your time, everything you can do to help the fair is sincerely appreciated. Babysitting costs for volunteered hours can be reimbursed by submitting a note to Rev. Catherine.

Donations: A date for donations to begin is not yet set, but should be sometime during the last week of May. The FPC Summer Fair is for the sale of clean, usable items in good condition. A handy listing of what we do and do not accept as donations is at the end of this Bell Ringer. Please, do not place donations in the church shed as it is still being used by the box project. To have your large sized donation or furniture picked up on **Haul Day, this coming Saturday, June 7th**, please call Lenore in the church office to be placed on the schedule.

Please contact Summer Fair Chair, Ruth Phillips Oakland, at coffee hour, or at rpoakland@gmail.com with any questions regarding donations or volunteering. Thank you!

Donations Needed!

Donations can be dropped off at the church during business hours and Sundays before and after church beginning May 27th. To schedule a pick-up of large items or furniture on Haul Day, Saturday, June 7th, please call Lenore at the church office. Please contact Summer Fair Chair, Ruth Phillips Oakland, with any questions or to volunteer.

PLANTS: When thinning out your perennials, please consider donating extra plants to the Fair. Day lilies and Irises do not sell well, but all other perennials are welcome. If you have questions, need pots, or help dividing please contact Liz Christmann.

JEWELRY: Women's, men's, and children's jewelry including Gold, sterling silver, and precious gems, costume jewelry, watches, clean hair accessories, broken or single earrings, gold or sterling pieces and broken strings of beads, Jewelry boxes- all sizes, scarves (not winter scarves), pocketbooks and wallets in good condition, and small boxes for display of fine jewelry. Please, no winter scarves or other clothing items. Questions, contact Karen Sankey.

BOOKS: All books, both hardcover & paperback in good condition. Please, no textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, mildewed or damaged books. For more information please contact Woodie & Elaine Lakey.

WHITE ELEPHANT: Household & Decorative goods that are clean and in good condition. Small kitchen appliances should be in working condition. No clothing or shoes. Please no TVs or computers. No coffee mugs with logos of any kind. Please - only clean linens in good condition. For more information, please contact Marilyn Christmann.

AUCTION: Furniture in good, saleable condition. Please, no appliances of any type, television or television stands, treadmills, mattresses or heavy exercise equipment, couches of any type, and no stuffed or upholstered furniture of any kind unless in new condition. For more information, please contact Peter Nappello.

COLLECTABLES: All collectables in good, clean and saleable condition. Please, no broken or chipped dishes and or glass, no sharp objects such as razors, knives, or garden tools etc., and no linen pieces items which are ripped, or torn. For more information please contact Gail Murphy.

SPORTING GOODS/TOOLS: All sporting goods and tools, pet items and gardening items. All items must be clean and in good condition. Please, no outdated electronics, computers, computer monitors, outdated televisions or heavy exercise equipment. For more information contact Karl Schweitzer.

CHILDREN'S WHITE ELEPHANT: Toys, games and puzzles in good, clean and saleable condition. Please, no car seats, cribs or videotapes. For more information, please contact Kathy Bray or Sharon Nabreski.

BAKE TABLE: If you can bake items for fair day, please contact Heidi Connor.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help sort donations, set up/break down the fair, and help sell goods and food on fair day. The Summer Fair is a great place to get to know your fellow UUs, help our church raise money, and become a part of our church history. To volunteer, please see/contact any of the people mentioned in this flyer. WE NEED YOU!

“GETTING READY FOR GA”

PICK UP A SANDWICH & COME TO THE MEETING AFTER CHURCH ON SUNDAY JUNE 8TH

- Catherine is planning a GA Preparation Meeting that will also include an opportunity to review and discuss the Congregational Study / Action Issues. Please vote on which of the below five issues you think are the MOST IMPORTANT for our official delegates to support. Delegates vote their conscience, but having congregational guidance would be helpful.

REMINDER: The June 2014 Congregational Study / Action Issues [CSAI] are:

- CSAI 1 – Empowerment: Age and Ability Reconsidered
- CSAI 2 – Ending the War on Terror
- CSAI 3 – Escalating Inequality
- CSAI 4 – Gun Violence : A Public Health Issue
- CSAI 5 - Renewing and Securing Our American Democracy

- **FULL INFORMATION ABOUT EACH ISSUE AT:**

- <http://www.uua.org/statements/current/>

Denominational Affairs has posted the summaries of Issue / Grounding / Possible Congressional / District Actions for all 5 Congregational Study / Action Issues on the Bulletin Board outside the kitchen.

- First-time GA attendees are encouraged to attend this meeting so that we can offer some “Tips for Attending GA!”

- Also, if you are interested in being a FPC GA Delegate, we will talk about the responsibilities of that position!
- Finally, we will speak about the Bus Trip to Providence on Sunday, June 29th.
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Historical Committee

The Historic Committee is trying to find information about a painting of magnolia flowers that was found in their archives. We would like to know who gave it to the church and when was it given. It will be displayed at Coffee Hour some Sundays in May and any information would be appreciated.
Betsy Stevens

The Community Table at Father Bill's Brockton - A Big Thank you!

Thank you FPC congregation for your time, energy, dedication, casseroles, desserts and salad fixings this church year. Together we served more than 1,400 guests and provided more than 100 American chop suey casseroles, 1,500 desserts and mounds of fresh salad. We served over 1,000 cups of coffee and visited with the guests made up of families, teens and adults of The Community Table.

Our FPC volunteers included grandparents and granddaughters, mothers and sons, seniors and HIP Group, couples and more. We always have a good time together and get more than we give. We put our social justice values in action. The guests appreciate FPC. They look forward to our Saturday lunch. Thank you for your commitment to the Community Table and their guests. We will be back at The Community Table in September 2014 and we can't wait!

Sincerely, Callie Brandeis, Youth Coordinator of The Community Table at Father Bill's Brockton and Social Justice Committee Member



Join Us For a Summer Yoga Flow Series

This is a Vinyasa flow class incorporating breath and movement, appropriate for all levels. Wear comfortable clothing, bring a yoga mat (some are available to loan). \$10 per class or 5 classes for \$40 / half of proceeds go to Social Justice. Come for the whole series or drop in any time. June 17th through mid-Sept. Tuesdays, 8:30 – 9:45 am in the Parlor at First Parish Church. Elaine Winqvist.

Helper for the Summer – Oliver Worsh Farnum

Hello! Many of you know me as a member of the HIP group, the supply closet person, or as a pre-school teacher. This summer, I am also looking for work! I'm available as a babysitter (CPR certified, lots of childcare experience), chauffeur (No limousine, but I'm a safe driver!), and as an odd-jobs man. I also mow lawns, spread mulch, power wash, clean gutters, etc. I have a flexible schedule and my own transportation and necessary equipment. References will be furnished upon request, please let me know if you have any questions!

Thank you and Happy Summer!
Oliver Worsh Farnum

Grief Support Programs at Beacon Hospice

Beacon Hospice is offering a new grief support group at the Plymouth Council on Aging this summer. **Coping with Grief** is 6-week support group and educational series for anyone experiencing grief due to the death of a spouse, life partner; parent, adult child, family member, close friend or another loved one. This group will meet on Tuesdays from 1:00-2:30PM beginning June 17, 2014 at the Plymouth Council on Aging, 44 Nook Road, Plymouth, MA.

Other group offerings include:

Coping with the Loss of a Spouse / Partner: Mondays from 1:00-2:30PM beginning June 23, 2014 at the Beacon Hospice office, 32 Resnik Road, Plymouth.

Coping with the Loss a Parent (for adults): Thursdays from 1:00-2:30PM beginning June 26, 2014 at the Beacon Hospice office, 32 Resnik Road, Plymouth.

Caring for the Caregiver: Learn how to care for YOU! Friday, June 27, 2014, 10:00-11:30AM at the Beacon Hospice office, 32 Resnik Road, Plymouth.

All of our groups are open to anyone in the community (no affiliation with hospice is required.) These programs are free of charge. Pre-registration is required by calling Beacon Hospice at 508-747-7222.



LOBSTER ROLLS - DON'T MISS THEM AT S.S. ARTS FESTIVAL **JUNE 13 -15 ON COHASSET COMMON**

Once again, First Parish in Cohasset, 23 No. Main St. will be offering their Lobster Rolls for sale during the South Shore Art's Festival - Fathers' Day weekend. Then stop by the Second Congregational Church for their famous Strawberry Shortcake for dessert. The price of the all-meat Lobster Roll and a bag of Cape Cod potato chips remains the same as last year – only \$13.00! You may want to pre-order* your Lobster Rolls, so that you don't miss out. Our 60 volunteers have sold over 1,200 Lobster Rolls in the past few years. For lobster roll pre-orders email firstlobster@verizon.net or call Diana Kornet at 781-383-6576. **Deadline to pre-order: Wednesday, June 11 at 6 p.m.** Once you've placed your order, please mail your check to: First Parish Cohasset, 23 No. Main St., Cohasset, MA 02025. Hours for order pickup: Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. & Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or until sold out.

*Enjoy Free Delivery on Friday, June 13, for pre-orders of 4+ rolls.

Classifieds:

If anyone has a serviceable lawn tractor that you would like to donate to the church, please email Paul Frongillo or call Lenore in the office.