

THE CHRONICLE

Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Services & Forums July 2014



DATE	11:00am Service	9:45am Adult Forum
July 6	"Reciting and Singing for Our Lives". Service Leaders: Barb Michael and Tim VanderVeen. .A passionate service of poetry and songs which have moved us as individuals and as community. Please bring a favorite poem to share. Leave the service well-nurtured by the insights of others!	"Week In Review."
July 13	"Holy Place," (a particular locale that becomes special to you because of spiritual associations). Service Leader: Rev. Gaby Park. (music by Tret Fure)	"Religion and Socialism." Host: Wayde Jackson. Socialism as a concept and as a social system existed long before the development of Marxism in the mid-1800's. In fact the ideas behind socialism reach as far back as ancient Greece and can be seen in the prominent world religions. So let's take a look into religions Socialist leanings.
July 20	"Ralph Waldo Emerson." Service Leaders: The Morski Family	"The Golden Rule: A UU Principle? Or Just Something the Nuns Use When They Rap Your Knuckles." Hosts: Tom Sullivan and Tim VanderVeen
July 27	"Lammas ~ Celebrating First Harvest" Service Leader: Heidi Gould	

4th of July Parade

All UUs are welcome to join with **UP Rainbow Pride** to demonstrate **Standing on the Side of Love** and wear SSL t-shirts or our UU t-shirts!! UUs will be carrying our SSL Banner as well as our Rainbow Flags. Please meet at 12:30pm near the Walgreens Parking Lot. The parade begins at 2pm. Bring water & sunscreen!

"It will be a beautiful day to show our true colors on all their rainbow glory."

~ Michelle Lexmond

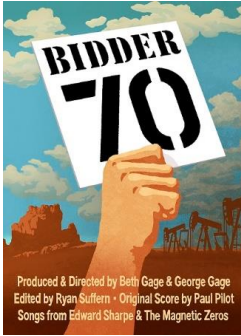
SAVE THE DATE

First Friday

Well, the First Friday of this July is the 4th! I hope gets outside and has a great day!

Friday, July 11th @ 6pm

Welcome to the New Fiscal Year!



MUUC invites you to our first, First Friday Potluck and Social! To be held the first Friday of every month, please bring a dish to share and beverage of your choice! Cake will be provided for dessert to celebrate all the birthdays of that month.

“Bidder 70”

will be shown after dinner with discussion to follow!

Meet Some of Our Newer Members...



Forrest Karr, Cara Brunk and Callia Karr moved to Marquette in the summer of 2012 from Fairbanks, Alaska, when Forrest began his job as NMU's Director of Athletics. Forrest originates from Baraboo, Wisconsin. He studied and played hockey at the University of Notre Dame and graduated from law school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Cara was born in Fairbanks, Alaska, and was raised in Alaska and Hawaii. Her background is in art, graphic design and

information technology. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Oregon and also holds an MBA from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where she currently telecommutes to work. Their proudest achievements are being parents to Callia who is 4 1/2 and Coco who will turn one on July 4th. They all love the outdoors.

Mindful Meditation and

Exploring Buddhism

is taking Summer Vacation!

Meetings will resume September 17th.

All are welcome to join!

PLEASE NOTE:

Intergenerational services away from the Meeting House this summer will be held on:

~ August 3 at Presque Isle

~ August 24 at Lakenenland!

FROM: Religious Education Coordinator

A Month in Review: Age 4-8 “Web of Life” Class

June 1st- Ice Cream Social and Volunteer Recognition

Thank you! The social was a great way to honor the volunteers who led lessons and assisted during RE. The youth served our congregation and we gave each volunteer a handwritten thank you and heart-shaped baskets. RE cannot exist without volunteers and we are so appreciative of the time and talent donated by our volunteers.

June 8th- Last day of RE: “Where We’ve Been and Where We Are Going” RE youth spoke at the “end of the year” service focusing on our year in RE. Youth from the Coming of Age, Deep Ecology, and OWL spoke about their experiences this year. The congregation was able to get a better idea of what happens in the Religious Education part of service.

June 15th- Father’s Day

The youth discussed respect and what makes fathers special. They then created Father’s Day cards. Big thanks to our volunteer teachers, Sarah Johnson and Sarah Redmond.

June 22nd – Summer Solstice

We read a creation story, “Sun Mother Walks the Earth.” The story comes from native people of Australia. Afterwards, we had an open discussion and shared what we are thankful for. The students finished early and we all went outside to help with the plant sale.

June 29th

We learned about the General Assembly of our Unitarian Universalist community. 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.

This Summer-Call for Volunteers

This summer we will be offering childcare and participating in several farm tours in the area. There is an ongoing need for volunteers. Please contact Laura Nagel at muurec@gmail.com.

Upcoming events for July:

July 6th Unitarian Universalist General Assembly

July 13th Discussion of “Holy Place of our Everyday”, families are encouraged to discuss beforehand and the children can share.

July 20th “Sing a Song and Dance Along”

July 27th Child care and lunch preparation during the service followed by Dancing Crane Farm Tour, leaving at 12:30pm. RE will provide Bag Lunch, volunteers are needed for transportation and permission slips will be needed for children to attend without parents.

~Laura Nagle

FROM: The Social Action Committee

OMG! What an experience UUA GA has been for me! Mostly what has been made clear to me is the multitude of opportunities out there to Stand on the Side Of and Reach Out In Love!! Locally, around the nation and around the world!

Locally, UUs are encouraging the Marquette City Commission to establish a “Human Rights Ordinance”, and we have been encouraged by the commissioners with news of being on the agenda for September 6th! All supporters are welcome to attend the meeting and demonstrate that “Justice is what Love looks like in Public!”

For more information:

http://www.mlive.com/politics/index.ssf/2012/03/michigan_sexual_orientation_an.html

“Share the Plate” offers opportunities for our members to develop and deepen connections with these non-profit organizations. Your nominations for non-profit organizations are welcome! The following lists the amounts thus far donated to non-profit groups whose mission and values align with ours.

2014 “Share the Plate” Contributions

February	UP Rainbow Pride	\$168.40
March	MUUSJN	\$146.19
April	Camp New Day	\$201.55
May	Detroit Youth Volume	
June	Nothing But Net	
July	Alzheimer’s Association	
August	Save the Wild UP	
September	(SOMETHING GLOBAL TBD)	
October	Women’s Center/Harbor House	
November	Marquette Ending Hunger	
December	UUSC Guest at your Table	

SAC is currently planning to offer the refresher course to renew our status as a Welcoming Congregation. Look for more details to come!



Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 20th at the Meeting House at 12:30pm. Please join us and bring your thoughts and suggestions on how to further promote the cause of justice and equality in our community and around the world.

~Heidi Gould

FROM: Stewardship Committee

We wound up our stewardship campaign with 45 pledges totaling \$58,512. This campaign was my first as the stewardship chairperson and I found the whole process humbling. I want to thank all the members who pledged. You are supporting programs and services that are making us a more intimate and cohesive community as well as a force for social justice in our community.

Our 45 pledges range from \$20 to \$7200 for the year. Our top three pledgers provide 31% of our budget. We are grateful to have 7 members who pledge over \$3000 per year for our congregation. We have 17 members who pledge over \$1000 per year.

As I think about next year's campaign, I would like to increase the number of members in our congregation and try to spread out the burden of our finances over more people. I hope we can continue to evolve into the kind organization in the next year that effects lives in a way that is worthy of your support.

Mike White
Stewardship Chairperson

June Meetings & Events (See Forums & Services on pg. 1)

(Meetings and events will take place at the Meeting House unless otherwise specified)

July 8@ 1pm Tuesday	MUUC Program Committee Meeting
July 9 @ 4:30pm Wednesday	Green team Meeting
July 15 @ 1pm Tuesday	Communications Committee Meeting (Peter White Public Library)
July 20 @ 12:30p Sunday	Social Action Committee
TBD	MUUC Board of Trustees Meeting

Find us on Facebook and check out our website at www.mqtuu.org

UUA GA 2014 ~ Providence, RI "Love Reaches Out"



Heidi, Tim DeChristopher "Bidder 70", Barb



UJME & Me at Union Station Brewery



Tret Fure in Concert

**To benefit the Alzheimer's Association
Upper Peninsula Region**

Sunday, July 13 - 6 pm

**Ore Dock Brewing Company
114 Spring St, Marquette**

Tickets are \$15 advance, \$18 Door

**Tickets available at the Ore Dock Brewing Company
The Alzheimers Association, 309 S. Front St. #233
The Co-op, 502 W Washington St**

Also online at www.tretfure.com/concerts

Call Ruth at (906) 228-3910 for info or tickets