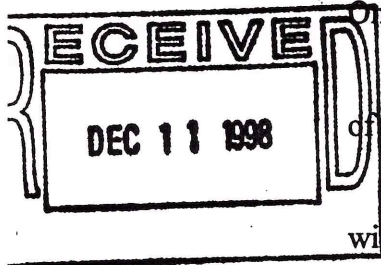




**Application for Affiliation With the Unitarian Universalist Association**



On DECEMBER 1, 1998, the MARQUETTE UNITARIAN UNLUERSALIST CONGREGATION  
date Name of Congregation

of MARQUETTE MICHIGAN was organized  
City, State/Province

with 37 charter members.

The following persons have been elected as officers:

President: NANCY SULLIVAN

Address: 349 LAKEWOOD LN., MARQUETTE, MI 49855

Phone: 906/249-3790

Secretary: GAIL D. GRIFFITH

Address: 806 W. KAYE, MARQUETTE, MI 49855

Phone: 906/225-0416

Treasurer: JON McLEAN

Address: 41 PELLISIER LAKE RD., MARQUETTE, MI 49855

Phone: 906/249-3566

Mailing Address: Box 687, MARQUETTE, MI 49855

Phone: 906/249-2059

**Meeting Place and Address;**

VILLAGE INN  
1301 N. THIRD ST.  
MARQUETTE, MI 49855

**Official Mailing Address;** (Note, It is important to have an address where we may send materials and information, and this address will also appear in the UUA Directory)

Box 687  
MARQUETTE, MI 49855

Name of Nearby Congregation and its minister; address and phone number:

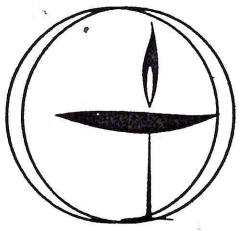
REV. BETTY L. PINGEL  
7821 QUITMAN ST.  
WESTMINSTER CO 80030  
303/428-9174

Subscribing to the principles of the Association, including the stated policy of the UUA that applying congregations welcome into membership all qualified persons "without regard to race, color, sex, affectional, or sexual orientation, age, or national origin," and pledging to support the Association, it is the desire of this congregation to become a member organization of the Unitarian Universalist Association. We herein enclose with this Letter of Application: 1) a list of Charter Members; 2) the Articles of Incorporation with the appropriate dissolution clause; 3) the Bylaws of the congregation, and; 4) an initial contribution of \$ 721.50 which is not less than the suggested fair share to the Annual Program Fund pro-rated for the portion of the UUA fiscal year remaining as to the date of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy J. Sullivan  
President or Leader

Carol D. Griffin  
Secretary



# Charter Members of

THE MARQUETTE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

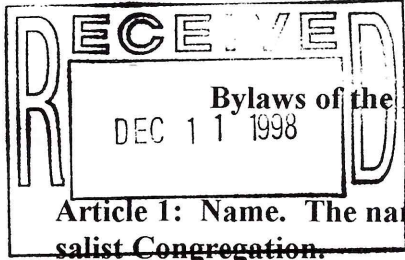
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Name of Congregation

Name	Address
1. ELONA ANDERSON	Rte #1, Box 306, Republic, MI 49879
2. MARTHA BUSH	334 Co. Rd. 550, Marquette, MI 49855
3. KENDALL BAKER	" " " " " " " "
4. HELDI CAIN	1220 Center #3, Marquette, MI 49855
5. REBECCA COOK	301 E. Prospect, Marquette, MI 49855
6. DENISE CUPPS	218 W. Ohio, Marquette, MI 49855
7. JUDY FOSTER	140 Taylor Rd., Gwinn, MI 49841
8. NELLIE GABALL	1525 Presque Isle, Marquette, MI 49855
9. EDWIDGE LYDIE GAMACHE	1120 Norwood #5, Marquette, MI 49855
10. RICHARD GORSKI	1502 Garfield, Marquette, MI 49855
11. MARILYN GORSKI	" " " " " "
12. THOMAS GRIFFITH	806 W. Kaye, Marquette, MI 49855
13. GALL GRIFFITH	" " " " " "
14. LINDSAY GRIFFITH	" " " " " "
15. SUSAN HALBROOK	Box 761, Marquette, MI 49855
16. LORIEN HALBROOK	" " " " " "
17. MELISSA HEARN	773 Lakewood Ln., Marquette MI 49855
18. SUSAN HORNBOGEN	31 Middle Island Pt., Marquette, MI 49855
19. VIRGINIA KILLOUGH	1710 Harbour View, Marquette MI 49855
20. BEVERLY MATHERNE	1714 N. West Ave, Marquette, MI 49855

21. KATHRYN MEHLENBACHER Box 655, Gwinn, MI 48841
22. ROSA MUSKET Box 662, Marquette, MI 49855
23. LINDA PELON 427 E. Michigan, Marquette MI 49855
24. KATHRYN POLANSKY " " " " "
25. GLENDA ROBINSON 410 E. Crescent, Marquette MI 49855
26. DONALD ROBISON HCR-1 Box 724, Dexter, MI 49822
27. ROLAND SCHWITZGOEBEL 229 W. Crescent, Marquette MI 49855
28. MARIAN SCHWITZGOEBEL " " " " "
29. JON McLEAN 411 Pellisier Lake Rd., Marquette MI 49855
30. KATHY McLEAN " " " " "
31. ALICE McMAHON 339 E. Prospect, Marquette MI 49855
32. RICHARD SEDLACK 10543 E K-10, Rapid River, MI 49878
33. URSULA STOCK 214 E. Prospect, Marquette, MI 49855
34. THOMAS SULLIVAN 349 Lakewood Ln., Marquette MI 49855
35. NANCY SULLIVAN " " " " "
36. TAMMY WILLS 736 Bluff, Marquette, MI 49855
37. PENNI ZOLLER 113 E. Michigan, Marquette MI 49855
38. \_\_\_\_\_

Please note the Association's Rule 3.3.6(e) "Where a new group has grown out of an existing society or societies, resignation from active membership in the other society or societies shall be expected of all members of the new group."



**Bylaws of the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation  
May 19, 1996**

**Article I: Name.** The name of this organization is the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

**Article II: Purpose.** This congregation exists to serve the human needs of its members and friends, to stimulate individual development of a positive and ethical philosophy of life, and to provide a common shelter for everyone's personal growth.

**Article III: Membership.**

1. Any person 16 years of age or over who concurs with Article IV and signs the membership roll with a trustee of the board as witness becomes a general member of the congregation.

2. A general member becomes a voting member by pledging financial support and making an attributable payment in any amount toward that pledge. Payments made in that fiscal year before pledging are applied to the pledge. Voting membership is effective 10 days after meeting the requirements. Voting membership expires at the end of each fiscal year.

3. Any member may relinquish membership by written notice. Membership ceases automatically after one fiscal year in which the member makes no financial contribution.

**Article IV: Congregational Principles.** We subscribe to the Unitarian Universalist Association's covenant to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person; justice, equity, and compassion in human relations; acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregation; a free and responsible search for truth and meaning; the right of conscience and democratic process within our congregation and in society at large; the goal of a world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all; and respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

**Article V: Meetings.**

1. The annual business meeting occurs in May at a time and place the board determines.

2. Any voting member may request a special business meeting in writing at any time.

3. The board will provide written notice of each business meeting to all members 15 days prior to the meeting. The notice will include ballot issues (including but not limited to changes to the bylaws and the names of nominees for the board, if any).

4. 50% of the voting membership constitutes a quorum. All votes will be decided by simple majority unless otherwise stated in the bylaws.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

For use by Domestic Nonprofit Corporations

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Pursuant to the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982, as amended, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is: THE MARQUETTE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

**ARTICLE II**

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

The purpose of this Congregation is to serve the human needs of its members and friends, to stimulate individual development of a positive and ethical philosophy of life and to provide a common shelter for everyone's personal growth.

**ARTICLE III**

The corporation is organized upon a NON-STOCK basis.  
(stock or nonstock)

1. If organized on a stock basis, the total number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue is \_\_\_\_\_ . If the shares are, or are to be, divided into classes, the designation of each class, the number of shares in each class, and the relative rights, preferences and limitations of the shares of each class are as follows:

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ARTICLE III (con't)

2. If organized on a nonstock basis, the description and value of its real property assets are: (if none, insert "none") NONE

and the description and value of its personal property assets are: (if none, insert "none") NONE

The corporation is to be financed under the following general plan:

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

The corporation is organized on a DIRECTORSHIP basis. (membership or directorship)

ARTICLE IV

1. The address of the registered office is:

806 W. KAYE MARQUETTE, Michigan 49855 (Street Address) (City) (ZIP Code)

2. The mailing address of the registered office if different than above:

P.O. BOX 687 MARQUETTE, Michigan 49855 (P.O. Box) (City) (ZIP Code)

3. The name of the resident agent at the registered office is:

GALL D. GRIFFITH

ARTICLE V

The name(s) and address(es) of all the incorporator(s) is (are) as follows:

Name Residence or Business Address

KATHY McLEAN, PRES. 50 OAKRIDGE DR. MARQUETTE, MI

ROLAND SCHWITZGOEBEL, V. PRES. 229 W. CRESCENT " "

GALL D. GRIFFITH, SEC. 806 W. KAYE " "

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Use space below for additional Articles or for continuation of previous Articles. Please identify any Article being continued or added. Attach additional pages if needed.

I (We), the incorporator(s) sign my (our) name(s) this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1993

Kathy McLean

Gail D. Griffin

Roland Schmitzgoebel

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**DOCUMENT WILL BE RETURNED TO NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS INDICATED IN THE BOX BELOW.** Include name, street and number (or P.O. box), city, state and ZIP code.

Name of person or organization  
remitting fees:

MARQUETTE UNITARIAN

UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

Preparer's name and business  
telephone number:

GAIL D. GRIFFITH

( 906 ) 225-0716

MARQUETTE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST  
CONGREGATION  
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MARQUETTE, MI 49855

### INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. This form is issued under the authority of Act 162, P.A. of 1982, as amended. The articles of incorporation cannot be filed until this form, or a comparable document, is submitted.
2. Submit one original copy of this document. Upon filing, a microfilm copy will be prepared for the records of the Corporation and Securities Bureau. The original copy will be returned to the address appearing in the box above as evidence of filing.  
Since this document must be microfilmed, it is important that the filing be legible. Documents with poor black and white contrast, or otherwise illegible, will be rejected.
3. This document is to be used pursuant to the provisions of the Act by one or more persons for the purpose of forming a domestic nonprofit corporation.
4. ARTICLE II — The purpose for which the corporation is organized must be included. It is not sufficient to state that the corporation may engage in any activity within the purposes for which corporations may be organized under the Act.
5. ARTICLE III — The corporation must be organized on a stock or nonstock basis. Complete Article III(1) or III(2) as appropriate, but not both. Real property assets are items such as land and buildings. Personal property assets are items such as cash, equipment, fixtures, etc.
6. ARTICLE IV — A post office box may not be designated as the street address of the registered office.
7. ARTICLE V — The Act requires one or more incorporators. The addresses should include a street number and name (or other designation), city and state.
8. This document is effective on the date approved and filed by the Bureau. A later effective date, no more than 90 days after the date of delivery, may be stated as an additional article.
9. This document must be signed in ink by each incorporator listed in Article V. However, if there are 3 or more incorporators, they may, by resolution adopted at the organizational meeting by a written instrument, designate one of them to sign the articles of incorporation on behalf of all of them. In such event, these articles of incorporation must be accompanied by a copy of the resolution duly certified by the acting secretary at the organizational meeting and a statement must be placed in the articles incorporating that resolution into them.
10. FEES: Filing fee & Franchise fee (Make remittance payable to State of Michigan) ... \$20.00
11. Mail form and fee to:  
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P.O. Box 30054, Lansing, Michigan 48909, Telephone: (517) 334-6302

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THE MARQUETTE UNITARIAN  
UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION  
P. O. BOX 687 PH. 906-228-4450  
MARQUETTE, MI 49855

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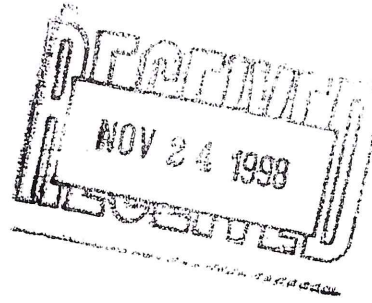
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November 19, 1998

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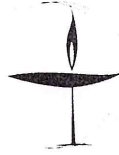
Dear UUA Board Members,

This letter supports the application of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Marquette, MI for affiliation with the UUA and with the Central Midwest District. The congregation voted to affiliate at a congregational meeting in October, but in fact have been in conversation about affiliation for some time. Their location, on Michigan's Upper Peninsula, is geographically closest to the Keweenaw UU Fellowship in Houghton, MI, and their connections with the Keweenaw Fellowship, as well as with congregations located in northern Wisconsin, led them to seek affiliation with the Central Midwest District rather than Michigan District. Both district boards have discussed this matter and agree to their request.

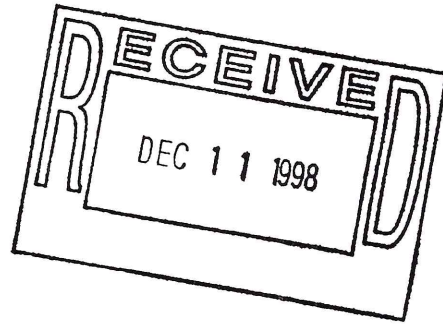
The Marquette congregation has been served for several years by a student minister from Meadville/Lombard Theological School, through the Ministerial Opportunities for Development program. They agree with the basic tenets of Unitarian Universalism, and are intentional about their desire to represent our faith community in the middle of the Upper Peninsula. I look forward to continuing my work with this society, and support their request for affiliation.

Yours in faith,

Helen Bishop  
Congregational Services Director



December 11, 1998



Unitarian Universalist Association  
Department of Extension  
25 Beacon Street  
Boston, MA 02108-2800

Dear UUA Board,

I would heartily endorse chartering the UU gathering in Marquette, Michigan as a congregation in the UU Association of Congregations. This is a healthy, eager group that is offering adult services and Religious Education. They are currently served by a student minister from Meadville/Lombard.

I have been acquainted with this group since their first eager members began the journey of forming a congregation. In the few years of their existence, they have grown rapidly and developed responsible leadership and dependable programming. They participate in District functions with enthusiasm and have sought the advice of other congregations' lay leadership and ministers in piloting their development.

The Marquette area is one of the far-flung places where people of current UU faith practices exist and where creative attention can keep this group expanding. I laud their efforts, and hope you will welcome them to the full Association membership they have earned.

Sincerely,

Rev. Emmy Lou Belcher

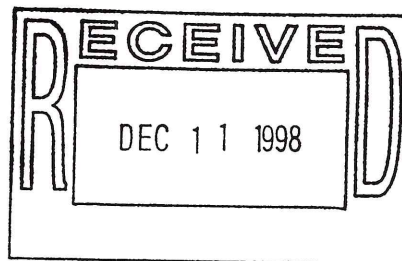
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7821 Quitman Street  
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Extension Department Administrator  
Unitarian Universalist Association  
25 Beacon Street  
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Dear Friends,

I write this letter on behalf of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Marquette, Michigan, which I visited as guest minister recently. I have had a long time interest in this group as one of its founding families attended the church that I served in Omaha, Nebraska, in the late 1970's.

The weekend that I was with them I led a workshop on Unitarian Universalist history which was well received and brought out many questions. Their attention to the ambiance and the format of their Sunday service is to be admired in a small group not meeting in their own space. I was pleased to have been invited to be with them.

This group has been meeting for six years, has an active religious education program and meets year round. Their dedication to the principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism is higher than that of some of the churches I served during my stint as an interim minister. They enjoy having professional leadership as is witnessed by the fact they have engaged student ministers from Meadville-Lombard for some years.

I would certainly recommend this group for affiliation with the Central Midwest District and its parent organization, the Unitarian Universalist Association.

If you would like to talk with me personally, please call. My phone number is 303-428-9174.

Yours in the faith,

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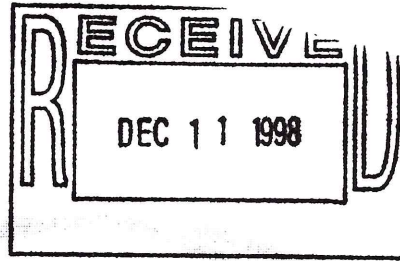
The Rev. Betty L. Pingel  
U U Minister, Retired

# Central Midwest District

of the Unitarian Universalist Association  
1701 South First Avenue, Ste 310  
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November 11, 1998

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Dear Board of Trustees:

This letter is one of recommendation to affiliate the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Marquette, Michigan with the UUA and in support of their affiliation with the Central Midwest District of the UUA. Our board and the board of the Michigan District have been in contact with the Marquette Congregation and have known of their wishes to affiliate, based on their covenantal relationship with other churches in the CMwDistrict, not only in the upper peninsula of Michigan, but also in upper Wisconsin. The Congregational Services Director (district executive) of the CMwD, Dr. Helen Bishop, has encouraged this congregation to complete all necessary documentation and application to become affiliated with the UUA. The congregation voted to do this on October 23, 1998.

Marquette UU Congregation has been a small, but growing group for the last six years. They have tried to have maintain a ministerial presence by use of the Meadville/Lombard Theological School's student minister program over the last four years. They are growing based on intentional programming for Sunday services and Religious Education for their children.

We would welcome another congregation in Michigan and glad to provide services to the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

In Peace,

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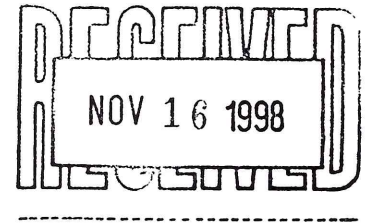
Barbara W. Brown  
President of the Central Midwest District

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In response to a request from the congregation's president, I write to support the admission of the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation to the Unitarian Universalist Association. This group, way north in the Upper Penninsula, has been meeting for six years. There has been some back and forth conversation by this group with both the Michigan District and the Central Midwest District and some reluctance on their part to affiliate at all. Now, however, with agreement between the two Districts and with a decision by the membership to move into affiliation, I certainly support the membership of this congregation.

For the past four year, Marquette has taken part in the MOD Squad, a program that CMwD and Meadville/Lombard Theological School has developed. Each year a M/L student has made a monthly weekend visit to the congregation, meeting with the board, and with committees, offering organizational assistance as well as conducting a worship service. Having had four good yearlong relationships with student ministers has certainly been a part of their preparation for UUA membership. They have also targeted Religious Education for their children as a primary responsibility and this is also a positive sign for potential growth.

It is with real pleasure that I endorse the application from the Marquette Congregation and look forward to making a motion at the Board of Trustees meeting to do so.

Yours in the faith,

Jean G. Kapuscik, CMwD Trustee  
UUA Board of Trustees