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Affirming and promoting the inherent worth and dignity of every person since 1954

August 2014

SUNDAYS at 10:00 am

Nursery Care in Room 5 from 9:45-12:45

Refreshments and Fellowship after the service

Adult Enrichment Hour from 11:45-12:45 - Childcare until 12:45

Families with young children are invited to sit in front for a better view until the Sing-away Song.

AUGUST 3

THE CHALLENGE OF COUPLE RELATIONSHIPS

*Service Leaders Barbara and Don Fairfield; with Worship Associate Noel Monardes;
and a special music performance by the PBUUC Band*

We enter into marriage on the wings of validation with the hope of happiness and the wish for passion. What we actually get is a challenge to grow beyond our limitations. Meeting this challenge has its rewards, making it ultimately worth the effort.

AUGUST 10

CELEBRATING THE ARTS *

Service Leader Carol Boston; with Bettie Young, Worship Associate

Enjoy a hands-on celebration of the creative practices embodied in our congregation, from music to visual arts to poetry to dance. Join people of all ages to experiment with your favorite medium and share what you create with others. Everyone is a creative genius today! **This is an All Ages Celebration; children and youth are invited to remain in the Meetinghouse for the entire service. Care for the youngest is provided in the Nursery.*

AUGUST 17

YOUNG ADULTS AND INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE WORK: MORE FUN THAN A RUGBY GAME

*Service Leaders Marge Owens and Sophie Bernheisel; with Ken Redd, Worship Associate;
and Dayna Edwards, Director of Multigenerational Religious Exploration*

Youth and older adults have been participating in a zinger of a 4-day seminar series focused on international peace and social justice in New York City for over 50 years. Hear from several PBUUC members of various ages who have attended this Unitarian Universalist United Nations Office event over the years.

AUGUST 24

MORAL TRIBALISM OR "CAN WE ALL GET ALONG?"

Service Leader Tess Morrison; with Noel Monardes, Worship Associate

Join members of the Quest book discussion group in a service about the ideas in Joshua Greene's book, *Moral Tribes: Emotion, Reason and the Gap Between Us and Them*, which explores neuroscience, psychology, and philosophy to encourage matching the right kind of thinking to the right kind of problem. When it is Me versus Us, think fast; when it is Us versus Them, think slow. How do we bridge the gap between the two? Perhaps the common ground between Us and Them is a global moral philosophy.

AUGUST 31

NOW LET US SING!

Service Leaders Carol Carter Walker and David Chapman; with Mary Wester, Worship Associate

You'll get a chance to hear and sing some of your favorite hymns from diverse religious traditions. Part of the service will be devoted to pre-selected tunes. Part will be devoted to those from the teal and gray hymnals that you'll call out on the spot.

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PBUUC Leadership Directory

🌀 Officers and Board of Trustees 2014-2015 🌀

Chair	Theresa Myrdon
Vice Chair	John Barr
Vice Chair	Melody Lawrence
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Trustee	Liz Citrin
Trustee	Peter Dowling
Trustee	Carol Carter Walker
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Assistant Treasurer	Marilyn Pearl

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Carol Boston (2013-16)	Ken Redd (2011-14)
Jonathan Mawdsley (2012-15)	Mary Wester (2013-16)
Noel Monardes (2013-16)	Bettie Young (2012-15)

🌀 Pastoral Care Associates 🌀

Jeri Holloway
Lynn Johnson
Mike McMenamin
Will Snyder

🌀 We Care Coordinators 🌀

Esther Nichols
Fran Caughey
Melody Lawrence

🌀 Chartered Committees & Task Forces 🌀

Arts Council	Pat Tompkins (Music)
Auction	Jane Trout (Visual Arts)
Budget Leadership Team	Mark Shute
Buildings & Grounds	Theresa Myrdon
Capital Campaign	Lowell Owens
DARTT (co-chairs)	Peter Wathen-Dunn
Denominational Affairs	Carol Carter Walker
Electronic Communications	Emma Sue Gaines-Gerson
Ethnic Dinners	Don Gerson
Finance	TBD
Green Team (co-chairs)	Marilyn Pearl
Leasing	vacant
Legacy Fund	Penny O'Brien & Will Snyder
Membership	Church Office
Ministry	Ken Montville
Nominating	Polly Pettit
Personnel	John Bartoli
Religious Exploration (co-chairs)	Muriel Morisey (contact)
Site Improvement	Jim Flaherty
Social Action	Patricia Most & Elizabeth Porter
Sustaining Our Ministry	Peter Wathen-Dunn
Stewardship	Nancy Boardman
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	Mike McMenamin & Chris Evans

🌀 Groups and Activities 🌀

Bookstore	Carol Carter Walker
Bridge Group	Penny O'Brien
Chalice Dancers	Wendy Schlegel
Choir	David Chapman
Coffee Coordinator	contact church office
Community Café	Esther Nichols
Food for Thought	Mary Tyrtle Rooker
Handcraft Circle	Marj Donn
Facebook Group	Ken Montville
Marriage Enrichment	Don Fairfield
Mediation Program	David Haberman
Men's Group	Peter Wathen-Dunn
Men's Retreat	Michel Léger
Moms of Young Ones	Renée Katz
Mystery Book Club	Kathy Kearns
Nature Spirituality Circle	Katherine Earle (contact)
Quest Discussion Group	Lowell Owens
Paint Branch Community Learning Center	Carmelita Carter-Sykes
Poetry Out Loud	Shantida
Shamanic Journeying	Mary Tyrtle Rooker
Simplicity Circle	Raman Pathik
SINKS and DINKS	Kathy Kearns &
	Jan Montville
Spirituality Circle	Amy Steiner
TWedHUULK	Marge Owens
Ushers	Esther Nichols
Warm Nights	Sabrina Jones
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Welcome Table Greeters	Pat Behenna
Widowed Persons Support Group	Jeri Holloway
Women's Group	Wendy Schlegel
Women's Retreat	Wendy Schlegel

🌀 Office Volunteers 🌀

Elizabeth Scheiman (Tues), Will Snyder (Wed), Alice Tyler (Thur)

🌀 Staff 🌀

Please contact the Church Office at 301-937-3666 for Staff listed.

Minister	Rev. Diane Teichert
Interim Caretaker Minister	Rev. Wm. Russell Savage
Music Director & Pianist	David Chapman
Director of Multigenerational Religious Exploration	Dayna Edwards
Director, Chalice Dancers	Sharon Werth
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Administrative Assistant	Alexis Saunders
Bookkeeper	Debra McCann
Sunday Service/Building Managers:	Romeo Ndonfak
	Wyatt Rexach
Child Care Providers:	Beth Judy
	Jazmin Balbuena

Ministers' Page

Meet the Interim Caretaker Minister:

I'm delighted at the prospect of working with Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church over the next little while as Diane works to recover from her stroke. The Board of Trustees has accorded me the title "Interim Caretaker Minister." Each of those three words is important. "Interim" means I will be here only for a certain time; the exact length of that time will depend on Diane's progress in her recovery. "Caretaker" means my main job is to care for the church and its people as Diane would until she is able to return. "Minister" means for that time I will be your minister, conducting worship, offering pastoral care, providing support to social action, religious exploration, administration, and many other aspects of PBUUC's life.

Diane and I were classmates at the Harvard Divinity School more than 20 years ago, so I have known her for a long time. Since graduating and becoming a UU minister, I've served churches in Massachusetts, New York, Maryland, and Virginia. I counted up the other day and realized that PBUUC will be the tenth church I've served in some ministerial capacity. I'm a second-career minister, having had an earlier career with AT&T. I spent 16 years with Southwestern Bell, one of the largest of the original telephone companies, and then eight years at Bell Laboratories, where I was director of personnel and public relations. I retired in 1989.

My wife Trish and I have been married for more than 50 years. We have two adult daughters. One is a real estate agent in Washington, DC; the other is a social worker in Boston. I grew up in University Park (only a couple of blocks from where Diane lives now) and attended the University of Maryland. We now live in Washington, DC, in the northwest area near the National Zoo.

I'll be beginning my time with PBUUC on August 1 but because of planned lay-led services I won't be in the pulpit until Sunday, September 14. I'll be at Sunday services starting on August 3 and will be in the church office on many weekdays throughout August and the subsequent months. Please don't hesitate to stop and say hello. I look forward to meeting each person at PBUUC, hearing your story, and helping the church move forward in the direction it wants to go until Diane returns.

Blessings.

Russ,

Rev. Russ Savage
Interim Caretaker Minister
ICM@pbuuc.org



An Update Letter from Diane:

Dear PBUUC Members and Friends,

My stroke was on April 18, about three months ago, just before the May newsletter deadline. I regret that my communications since then have not been available to those without access to the Internet, because I have used the websites CaringBridge.com for updates, and [Lotsa Helping Hands](http://LotsaHelpingHands.com) for requests for help. Hopefully, those with access have shared my news with those without. I am pleased to now communicate directly with the congregation, finally.

Although I see improvements each week, and am keeping up with exercises and being active, I still do not have use of either my left foot or my left hand, and also find myself to be less able to manage my calendar than prior to the stroke. A neurologist told us the most significant recovery is typically between six and twelve months, so there is more to which to look forward, therefore I am still unsure of when, for what responsibilities, and for how much time each week I will return to work. I deeply appreciate the "space" you have given me to focus on my complete recovery. I look forward to first joining you on a Sunday morning, probably without worship leadership responsibility, just to be among you. I will be in touch with the Board and Committee on Ministry and Worship Associates in advance, of course.

I hope you each have been well of late; I know you will have stories to share with me! I am heartened to hear that the staff and lay leaders have missed me, but have managed very well in my absence. Thank you!

Take care,

Diane

Our Caring Community

While our Interim Caretaker Minister is getting acquainted with the congregation, if you have a pastoral care need such as the death of a loved one, serious illness, hospitalization, or other immediate concern, please contact one of the Pastoral Care Associates Lynn Johnson, Jeri Holloway, Will Snyder or Mike McMenamin who will contact the Interim Caretaker Minister if they cannot assist you. Their contact information is in the Directory or send an email to pastoralcare@pbuuc.org. In emergency situations, contact the church who will notify a Pastoral Care Associate or the Interim Caretaker Minister.

The We Care Coordinator for August is Fran Caughey

If you or a congregant you know is in need of rides, meals, cards or visits, please contact Fran at 301-776-9648.

Board of Trustees Column

The 2014-2015 Board of Trustees met for our first regular monthly meeting on July 22. We regretfully accepted the resignation of Don Mitchell and Alice Tyler as Trustees. They both have other commitments and interests that precluded their continuing on the Board. We are thankful for their service these last two years. We have asked the Nominating Committee to recruit members for these vacancies. If you are interested, please speak with Sabrina Jones, Michel Léger, Rene McDonald or Muriel Morisey.

After a discussion of governance, the Board agreed to establish our leadership model as a Chair and two Vice-Chairs. These three positions will form the Executive Committee. We have determined our initial responsibilities for our officers and will finish delineating their responsibilities at our upcoming Retreat. The Board officers for this year are:

Board Chair: Theresa Myrdon

Vice Chair: John Barr

Vice Chair: Melody Lawrence

The Board officially appointed Shantida Joseph, as Church Secretary, and re-appointed David Nation, as Treasurer, and Marilyn Pearl, as Assistant Treasurer. They will serve through the 2014-2015 church year. Thank you to all three for your continued service.

Our Board Retreat is scheduled for August 15 and 16. We'll have a lot on our agenda including discussion of the Board Covenant, Committee Liaisons, Finance Committee, and plans for upcoming repairs to our two buildings. These four items are just the start!

Finally, the Board is excited to announce that we have hired an Interim Caretaker Minister!!! The Sustaining Our Ministry Team (SOM) received the names of five candidates from the UUA Transitions Office and exchanged packets with two of the candidates. After interviews and reference checks, the SOM recommended Rev. Wm. Russell Savage as our Interim Caretaker Minister starting on August 1! You will hear more about Rev. Savage shortly.

We are looking forward to working with you this year.

Sincerely,

Theresa Myrdon,

Chair, Board of Trustees

Membership Committee

Open the Door to a More Welcoming Foyer

When you open the door of the Meeting House, don't you want to see a place that is welcoming, attractive, and well-cared for? That's the goal of the Welcoming Foyer Team. Carmelita Carter-Sykes, Allison Hughes, Polly Pettit, Susannah Schiller, Pat Tompkins and Jane Trout have cooperated on some creative ways to present our best selves for our visitors, members, friends and potential renters. You will see some gradual changes in the Foyer's appearance. Note the bulletin board with pictures of our newest members and the newly painted accent wall. And there will be small works of art soon to appear thanks to talented artists among us. But we need everyone's help. De-cluttering is an important part of caring for a treasured space. We are asking everyone to follow these proposed guidelines:

Welcoming Foyer Guidelines:

1. All trifold presentations should be done on boards with a blank rear side. The backs of the boards are very visible to anyone approaching on the Deck. We would like to have the appearance as attractive as possible.
2. All tables, except two, should be removed from the Foyer by the Building Manager at the conclusion of Sunday events. If you need a table, one can be secured from the side hall. If there are none available, the Building Manager can get one for you.
3. Because space is limited in the Foyer, we encourage you to consider alternate table placement. Using other spaces allows people to more readily see your presentation and talk with you. The Meeting House Sanctuary or the Deck are viable alternatives.
4. Displays should be removed from the Foyer at the conclusion of the Sunday morning events. There is very little storage space available in the Meeting House so materials should remain with you or another representative of your group.
5. Items that are placed on the windowsills should also be removed at the conclusion of Sunday morning events.
6. If notices are placed on window glass, please be sure that they are removed in a timely fashion as soon as the event has taken place. Please remove all of the tape used to secure the notice.
7. Items left following a Sunday service will be placed in the lost and found bins under the coat rack in the side hall.
8. If you use one of the church tablecloths, please be sure that it is put away. If it needs washing, please take it home and return it on your next trip to the building.

Many thanks from us all,
Polly Pettit, Membership Chair

Religious Exploration

As I write this newsletter article, I am about to embark on four days at Disney World. I have to confess that I am just as excited (or perhaps a bit more excited) than my children. Which made me wonder, what can we as a faith community learn from Disney about multigenerational experiences?

We can learn that Disney, like spiritual practice, is not one-size fits all. There is "something for everyone" at Disney, but not everything is for everybody. Similarly, in our faith community, it is important that we find spaces where adults can be adults and kids can be kids. Asking kids, to just tag-along to a class or meeting, does not make an event or worship multigenerational in the best sense of the word. Assuming that adults will find spiritual fulfillment from all "kid-friendly" activities, does not always serve the adults needs for digging deeper. So, using the Disney metaphor for worship, it seems appropriate that there are times where children and adults worship together and separately. Even within the broad categories of children and adult, there are more meaningful experiences that can happen by deepening relationships with people in similar life stages as well.

More important, to me, are the times when we do come together across generations. Another confession: I love watching the Disney show Phineas and Ferb with my daughters. Why? Because, although the show is a cartoon and the plot lines are meant for the eight to ten-year-old set, the writers drop in "adult" references and humor often enough that I actually laugh out loud. They assume kids are smart and therefore their humor is smart. The movie Frozen also captured a truly meaningful multigenerational experience for me. I was just as moved by the movie, but for different reasons than my two daughters. Now, let's translate that to multigenerational worship and religious exploration. There are times when actually being in the room together across generations actually deepens the spiritual experience. Children are often not afraid to express and experiment with their spirituality, which allows us as adults to be more vulnerable. Think about our most recent Youth-led service. I felt spiritually moved by the youth's willingness to share and be vulnerable and I am still mulling over some of the topics and issues they brought up.

With the creation of my new title as the Director of Multigenerational Religious Exploration, we will, as a congregation, be in a religious exploration laboratory, experimenting with what multigenerational religious exploration looks like and feels like for us. We will try new methods and see if they make multigenerational religious exploration more or less meaningful. Looking to what other organizations are doing, religious and secular, can give us a head start to moving in the right direction. Disney World is not a bad place to start taking notes.

Yours In Faith, *Dayna Edwards.*

Director of Multigenerational Religious Exploration

RE Chalice Lighting Prayer for August

Here is a chalice lighting prayer that can be used at bedtime or dinner time to promote family healing and unity.

Prayers: "Prayer of Hope and Healing" - Chrystal Hogan

To the God of our own understanding, the spirit with whom we commune this morning – we ask that our minds be open, our hearts welcoming, our arms embracing. We lift up those whose lives are touched by sadness, by illness, by worry, or by loneliness. May they find comfort, hope, and healing strength in this community and the larger community. We celebrate those whose lives are whole and well. May they share their strength with those in need and find warmth and love in the sharing of their spirit. And let us take a moment to silently reflect in the spirit of prayer.

Planning a New Year in Religious Exploration

The RE Committee needs one or a couple of people to take Tabitha Pierzchala's role in leading and recruiting teams to work on seasonal events. These events are fun, community-building, often intergenerational activities during the calendar year.



We are particularly interested in attracting new members who will add more diversity to our committee of (so far) only women. I have spoken to several congregants who are considering positions on the RE committee. Now is a particularly good time to join as we are planning for the new year at a retreat on Saturday, August 16 from noon to 5 pm. Please phone Tricia Most (see directory) or email patricia_most@msn.com

PBUUC Wishes the Pierzchala Family a Fond Farewell!

The Women's Group is organizing a congregational party for All Ages to celebrate Tabitha Pierzchala's retirement from the Navy and to wish her, Jim, Ben and Anthony a fond farewell as they return to their home on Whidbey Island, Washington to launch a new chapter in their lives.

The party will begin in the meeting house after the August 3 worship service and will include a brief ceremony to bless them on their journey. Tabitha's parents, siblings and friends are traveling long distance to join us in the celebration. There will be some open mike time for guests to share memories, extend appreciations and express their wishes for the Pierzchala family.

To coordinate food and non-food potluck choices, please visit <http://www.PerfectPotluck.com> and enter Coordinator Last Name: Most and Password: PBUUC8314 or phone Tricia Most (301-452-1366).

Green Team

SAVE THE BEES



The steady decline of bees is an unwelcome fact. Native Americans



who practiced agriculture depended on native bees to pollinate their crops. Honeybees were brought here by Europeans to pollinate their new crops. Both types of bees are in decline. We can help this situation with flowers. If you have a yard, turn it into a garden. No more mowing. If you have an apartment, put flowers on your deck or in your window box. If you are a city dweller, look for a lamp post surrounded by dirt enclosed by a cement curb. All are marvelous places to put in yarrow (*Achillea*). It spreads by underground roots. Butterflies and bees will find it rapidly. The European honeybees will go to native American plants but not to coneflower (*Echinacea*) because their tongues are too short to reach the nectar. No need to make your garden all native.

Following is a list of flowers that will attract bees to your garden: liatris, penstemon, globe thistle, hyssop, black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia*), goldenrod (*Solidago*), Joe Pye weed (*Eupatorium*), sedum, sunflower (*Helianthus*), English lavender, marjoram, rosemary and cup flower (*Silphium*).

Sometimes I just go to Behnke nursery and watch to see where the bees go!

- Joann Alexander

Social Action Committee (SAC) News



Special Collection for September to support College Bound

The special collection on September 14 will benefit College Bound, Inc., a Washington, DC-based nonprofit organization that provides tutoring, mentoring, college preparation, and college scholarships middle and high school students in metropolitan DC public and public charter schools. The program makes college a reality for more than 100 low-income students. Each year, 100 percent of College Bound high school seniors attend college. For more information about College Bound's services, please go to <http://collegebound.org>. Checks may be made payable to College Bound, Inc.

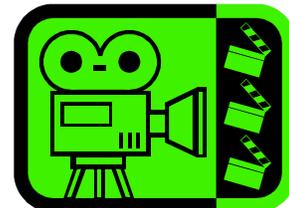
Submitted by Ken Redd

Next Social Action Committee (SAC) Meeting:

Saturday, September 20, from 10 am to 12:30 pm
in Room 4 of the RE Building

"Answers to Environmental Questions You Never Thought to Ask"

PBUUC Green Team's August 2014 Environmental Film Screenings
Topic: Radiation from Japan's Fukushima Nuclear Disaster



The films to be shown at the August 23, 2014 evening on Radiation from the 2011 Fukushima Nuclear Disaster are yet to be definitely decided since there are so many good ones. But, some of the films being considered have been made by M. O'Rourke, who has produced many films on this subject.

A description of four such films follow:

[Fukushima Out of Control: January-2014](#)

The Fukushima disaster in Japan has brought to the forefront the dangers of Worldwide Nuclear Radiation. It has not been contained and grows worse each day. It is far more serious than the 1986 Chernobyl disaster.

[FUKUSHIMA](#)

Dr. Michio Kaku, Nuclear Scientist, being interviewed by Amy Goodman on "Democracy Now" about the great radiation levels at the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant and ways to bring it under control. Very informative film.

[Fukushima in the Wake of the Tsunami, March 2011](#)

The dumping of highly radioactive water into the Pacific Ocean constitutes a potential trigger to a process of global radioactive contamination. Radioactive elements have not only been detected in the food chain in Japan, radioactive rain water has been recorded in California.

[Food Fears Persist in Japan](#)

Last year, the Japan Times reported that the government had buried a document that said, in a worst-case scenario, the crippled Fukushima reactors would release "massive quantities" of radiation for hundreds of decades.

Please RSVP if you plan to attend. We would like everyone to arrive by 7:30 pm. For information on how to be part of the screening and discussion audience, call Judith Grady (Hamburg), hostess, at 301-794-8221 or 240-486-1210 for directions to her home. All are welcome to bring family and friends.



The Wider Unitarian Universalist Universe

Unitarian Church of Harrisburg Mindfulness Meditation Group to Host Cheri Huber

The UCH Mindfulness Meditation Group is very pleased to announce that once again Cheri Huber will speak there. This is Cheri's eighth or maybe ninth visit to UCH. Cheri was warmly received on each previous visit. Join us this September in welcoming her once again. Invite your friends and neighbors.

Cheri Huber is a student and teacher in the Soto Zen tradition. She has devoted over 30 years to helping people free themselves from suffering and enjoy the lives that are their birthright. Her gentleness, clarity, and humor support the challenging work of spiritual growth. She is the author of 21 books including *There Is Nothing Wrong with You*, *The Depression Book*, *Time-Out for Parents*, and *Unconditional Self-Acceptance*, a 6 CD or tape set from Sounds True. Cheri is acknowledged as one of the country's foremost experts on depression and spirituality. She founded the Mountain View Zen Center and the Zen Monastery Practice Center in California, and leads workshops and retreats around the US and internationally. Cheri Huber is founder and director of Living Compassion. Information on Living Compassion's work with vulnerable children in Africa is available on their web site below.

Ashwini Narayanan who oversees the offering of practice through both of the organizations cited above, as well as creating and facilitating retreats will join Cheri on this visit.

**Sunday September 7, 2014 at 2 pm in the UCH Sanctuary
"How to Have It All"**

Success at work, loving relationships, a community to belong to, a life of purpose, a sense of well-being, enjoying life – these are dreams and goals shared by many. Yet whom do we know who manages to pull that off? Does this mean that it is not possible to have it all? No, it is possible and there is a way to do it. Join Cheri on a lively, interactive exploration and explanation of how to have it all.

No Tickets or Registration.

Reception and book signing will follow.

Donations to Living Compassion welcomed!

Living Compassion: www.livingcompassion.org

UCH Mindfulness Meditation Group

Email: MMG@harrisburguu.org

Facebook: [MindfulnessMeditationGroupOfUch](https://www.facebook.com/MindfulnessMeditationGroupOfUch)

Joseph Priestley District's Jubilee Anti-Racism Training August 22-24, Cedar Lane UU Church, Bethesda, MD

Do you wish to nurture your congregation's multicultural future in the face of opposing cultural currents? Do you wish to deepen your understanding of how race and ethnicity play out in our institutions and our daily lives? Jubilee Anti-Racism Training helps participants understand what is involved in nurturing a multicultural community and working against racism in all of its forms. The workshop requires a weekend commitment, and it is worth every minute of that commitment. Enrollment is limited to 40 participants. More information at <http://conta.cc/UlyhVD>

In and Around Paint Branch

Return Trip to Royal Jade Wednesday, August 20 at 1 pm

The Third Wednesday UU Handy Lunch Klub had such good food and a good time in February that we are trying this long-time favorite Greenbelt Asian restaurant again. It now occupies the fancy premises that housed Jaspers for many years. Located in the Greenway Shopping center at the intersection of the B-W Pkwy and Greenbelt Road, it has a huge parking lot. Everyone is free to join us. If you need a ride or can give someone else a ride, contact Marge Owens at 301-345-1572 or lowellandmarge@verizon.net.

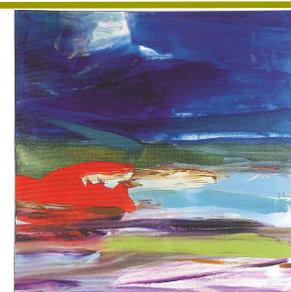


TWedHUULK has been in existence since the founding of our congregation. Is there someone out there who would like to coordinate it every other month? The big secret is: the coordinator gets to try out new restaurants to see if they fit the needs of our group. It's in the line of duty.

On Exhibit in the Meeting House:

Our paintings for the rest of the summer will be by Kathy Karlson, Artist in Residence in Greenbelt MD. She says, "I grew up in the Universalist Church in Rochester, Minnesota. There I saw each Sunday, a sign in big Gothic letters--God Is Love. And so, finally, is all art. Art is Love.

After college, I was in the Peace Corps in Africa, then got an MA and PhD in American literature and art, led a writing program for the federal government, got an NEA grant for fiction writing, retired, and now paint and write poetry as I move toward 70. Everything touches my work—grandchildren, friends, the past, and the beautiful day." If you are interested in contacting her, her email is kk@kathykarlson.com.



Note to Our Readers:

The Church Administrator is responsible for the production of the newsletter.

SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES FOR BRANCHES: All submissions for inclusion in Branches should be submitted by email to: branches@pbuuc.org.

The Leadership Directory, (on page 2 of this issue), will contain names only. For more contact information, please consult your Membership Directory or call the Church Office at 301-937-3666. All submitted articles will contain phone numbers and/or email addresses for contact if listed. You may choose to list your email address only as a point of contact, and if requested, an email specific to individual PBUUC committees, groups, or teams can be created.

Editorial Guidelines

- The deadline for submission of articles and other content to Branches is on the **20th day of every month**, except during the holidays.
- Articles should be submitted in their final form and content should be **200—600** words. Please submit the name of the author and any other contact information as necessary. **Reminder: Articles significantly over the word limit may be returned to the author for re-editing.**
- The deadline for submission of announcements and other content to appear in the Sunday Order of Service Bulletin is **every Wednesday at 12 noon**. Announcements received by the deadline will be sent to all email recipients of Branches.
- **Sunday Bulletin announcements** should be submitted in their final form to bulletin@pbuuc.org. Content should be **120** words or less. Please try to keep announcements one paragraph with a clear headline or topic sentence. Please include day, date, location, time, and contact information. Announcements should be PBUUC related; non-PBUUC events must have an explicitly stated UU connection.

All deadlines are now on the web calendar. Go to www.pbuuc.org. Scroll down to “This Week” and click on “More Upcoming Events.” Click on the Calendar grid to the left to advance to the next month.

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