



## Unitarian Universalist Congregational Society of Westborough

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### WEEKLY UPDATE 02/23/2017

#### UPCOMING UUCSW SERVICES

##### ***SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26<sup>th</sup> WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM***

*A Faith Worth Supporting, Rev. Bev Waring Preaching*



What is there about this faith tradition that makes it important to you that congregations like UUCSW exist? Why do you come to this particular Unitarian Universalist Congregation? This Sunday is a great time to consider those questions and then answer them with your completed pledge card. Prior to this service you will receive stewardship information and will have opportunities to ask questions and answer in your heart if this is indeed a faith worth supporting.

##### ***RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE***

Group religious education class will meet this weekend. Families will begin the service together in the Sanctuary, and students will leave for their class following the Time for All Ages.

The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, at noon in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade RE classroom.



#### UUCSW HAPPENINGS

##### ***HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD - MARCH 4 SIGN UP NOW!***



Join us for a day (or half day) of service on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. This project will be in Northborough and will involve helping Habitat For Humanity convert two buildings into multi-unit, affordable homes. E-mail Ed Walsh at [walshnboro@gmail.com](mailto:walshnboro@gmail.com) to express interest or for more information. Youth 16 or over, with parental consent, are welcome.

## OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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### **THIS SUNDAY THE 26<sup>TH</sup> IS CANVASS SUNDAY**

*The congregation needs your pledge.*

Canvass packets with pledge information and pledge forms were mailed to everyone last week. Please review this information, then make the best pledge you can to support our congregation in its 2017-18 year. Remember that \$2 out of every \$3 we spend to run our congregation comes from pledges by members and friends. Fill out the form and keep the pink copy for your records.

We would like everyone to bring their pledge this Sunday. But if that doesn't work for you, please send it to the church: UUCSW, P. O. Box 544, Westborough, MA 01581

**If you didn't receive the packet or can't find it, we'll have plenty of forms available this and every Sunday.** Just ask anyone on the Canvass Committee: Mark Kalen, Sharon Barrett, Jim Slack or John Metzger.

### **UU 101 GATHERING - SUNDAY MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>**



Interesting in knowing more about the Unitarian Universalist Congregational Society of Westborough? Wondering how this congregation operates, how things get done around here? Are you considering joining as a member? Or maybe you simply want to get to know some of us better and want to share some of your spiritual journey in a small group. Join Rev Bev and others for a “new to UUCSW” new to Unitarian Universalism gathering.

We will meet shortly after services end (between 11:45 and noon) for a light lunch and conversation. RSVPs for lunch and child care very helpful. Questions or RSVP to Rev Bev at [revbev@gmail.com](mailto:revbev@gmail.com) or [508-330-1352](tel:508-330-1352).

### **AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED NOW!!**

*Donations  
Needed  
Can you help?*

Please email Amy at [kdjmom3@gmail.com](mailto:kdjmom3@gmail.com) or Tanya at [trainors4@verizon.net](mailto:trainors4@verizon.net) with your auction donation. If you want to donate a gift card or something that can be grouped with other items, let us know and we'll incorporate it into a basket for the Buddha Basket Raffle. *ANYTHING* you want to donate is great, just let us know. Gift

cards to local restaurants and local services are great, as are hand-made items, photos, etc. Spa services, movie tickets—anything you've donated in the past would work too, no item is too small. If it sold in the past, it will be a hit this year too.

#### **Auction Information:**

When: April 8th, 2017

Where: UU / Westboro

Time: 5:30pm

What: Zen and the Art of the Auction – We Are One

Price: **\$15 in advance (on sale through March, after church)** or \$17 at the door

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## OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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### **STOP & SHOP GIFT CARDS**

**REMINDER:** Pick up your Stop & Shop gift cards from Ken Young before or after services. **For every dollar purchased, the church receives 5%.** If you do not personally shop at Stop & Shop you can still join in this easy fund-raiser as it is very much appreciated when these cards are added to the monthly offering (1st Sunday of the month) that benefits the Minister's Discretionary Fund.



### **GREETERS/ USHERS**

If you cannot support your date and no one can switch with you, please contact Lisa Shumway at [lss0907@gmail.com](mailto:lss0907@gmail.com).

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DATE	Front Door (Head Greeters)	Side Door (Ruggles Street)
2/26	Amy & Doug MacDougall	Lisa Shumway

## REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

### **WORDS OF REV. EBENEZER PARKMAN - MONDAY FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>**

“The Worlds of Rev. Ebenezer Parkman, Westborough’s First Minister 1724 – 1782” will be presented by Holy Cross Professor Ross Beales on **Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Congregational Church; 6:30 PM dessert, 7 PM lecture.** *All are welcome!*

### **NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

#### **APRIL 21-22, 2017 in WOBURN, MA**



Your New England Region of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) is bringing you a unique opportunity to gather with New England Unitarian Universalists for a celebration of spirit. This regional assembly will include a UUA Presidential Candidates Forum as well as the opportunity to meet and greet your New England Region UUA staff. Additionally you will be able to choose from three workshops being offered, attend worship with acclaimed liturgist-singer-music director Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout and UU/UCC preacher Rev. Robin Bartlett and sing with composer-musician-song leader Dr. Ysaye Barnwell.

REGISTRATION is now open at [new-england.eventbrite.com](http://new-england.eventbrite.com)

**Register by February 28 for Early Bird Pricing.** Youth are welcome to participate; special rate for ages 12-19. Free child care available for ages 11 and under.

## GETTING INVOLVED!

- Join Lecture of Rev. Ebenezer Parkman on February 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity on March 4<sup>th</sup>!
- Attend UU 101 Gathering on March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Attend the New England Regional Assembly April 21-22!

## UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 PM** – Youth Group  
**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM** – Adult “OWL”  
**Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM** – UU Knitting  
**Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 12:30 PM** – Social Justice Planning Meeting  
**Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, –** Habitat for Humanity Build  
**Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 PM** – UU 101 Gathering  
**Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 PM** – Social Justice Committee Meeting  
**Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM** – Coming of Age  
**Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM** – Adult “OWL”  
**Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM** – UUs at Lunch  
**Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM** – Board Meeting  
**Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM** – Social Justice Planning Meeting  
**Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM** – UU Book Group