

Where Seekers Find a Home.



Hearts & Hands Reception

- Enjoy great appetizers
- Learn about UUC Service Opportunities
- Help us honor those who serve our congregation
- Meet UUC Committee Chairs and Board Members

For more information, contact:

Denise Seeber 727 474-2647

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Sunday, 9/11/2011, Noon - 1:30 pm

UUC Social Hall

UUC Members, Friends & Guests Welcome

**Congregations as Family Systems: A Research Study
Conducted by the Rev. Lynn Acquafondata Sept. 24-25, 2011**

“On Saturday Sept. 24th I plan to meet with a group of UUC members to hear a variety of perspectives on key events in the history of the congregation and to learn how people have responded and interacted with each other at those times. I will begin a rough set of diagrams which will eventually map out the emotional system of the congregation over time. Please join us that day if you are a leader in the congregation (official or unofficial), or if you have been at some point in the past. Join us if you are a long time member who has been involved over the years, or if you are a newer member who has played a role in the recent history of the congregation. Or just come, listen and learn about your congregation.”

“Please RSVP to lynnacqua@verizon.net if you plan to come, so that I have an idea of how many people to expect. In addition, I will conduct individual interviews (1/2 hour each) on Saturday and Sunday with some of the people who participate in the larger meeting. Please let me know if you wish to sign up for an individual interview. All participants will be asked to sign a consent form. Thank you.”



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**THANKS TO ALL who
have volunteered
during Coffee Hour!**

It takes 104 persons to
serve coffee once each
year or

52 persons to serve
coffee twice a year.

Check the book on the counter by the
kitchen and sign up!

You'll have a good time and be
appreciated by everybody.

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VISION

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson once went camping.

In the middle of the night, Holmes awoke and looked up at the stars. He asked, "Watson, what do you see?"

Woken from his sleep, Watson looked up and replied groggily, "Stars."

"Yes," said Holmes, "but what do these stars tell you?"

Watson, now fully awake, replied, "Cosmologically they tell me that we are part of a large universe – that we are one of billions and billions of planets. Theologically they tell me that we have a great God who made all of it. Meteorologically they tell me that the sky is clear and we will have good weather tomorrow. Temporally they tell me that it is the middle of the night and we should be sleeping! Holmes, what do they tell you?"

"Well," Holmes replied, "they tell me that someone has stolen our tent."

When it comes to the direction of UUC, what is it that you see?

We have created a new vision statement to bind our community to our intent. Our vision is to be "an inclusive religious community - a beacon for reason, meaning, and bold social action."

We know that we cannot rest on our vision for too long, because Unitarian Universalism is not an inert or passive faith. Ours is an engaged, big hearted, and most of all, energetic faith that calls us to put our backs to our vision to make it a living reality.

What is it that we need to do as a visionary church?

- ◆ As a visionary church, we need to meet the needs of the present while looking forward. The best is yet to come.
- ◆ As a visionary church, we need to invest our time, talent, and treasure today so that we can be all that we yearn to be tomorrow.
- ◆ As a visionary church, we need to train, support, and affirm our members, both adults and children, to be leaders tomorrow.
- ◆ As a visionary church, we need to recognize that we may fail along the way, but that must not prevent us from trying anyway.

Jonas Salk attempted 200 unsuccessful vaccines for polio before he came up with one that worked. Somebody asked him one time, "How did it feel to fail 200 times trying to invent a vaccine for polio?" This was his response: "I never failed 200 times at anything in my life. My family taught me never to use that word. I simply discovered 200 ways how not to make a vaccine for polio."

As a 60 year old congregation, we have done so much already. And we will do so much more in the days and years ahead.

May we draw strength, hope, courage, and inspiration from this beloved community we call UUC, but let it not stop there. Let us use that strength, hope, courage, and inspiration to work for a world of peace, justice, equality, and compassion -- a world that can truly be called the Beloved Community.



I would like to welcome everyone to another year of our religious education program at UUC. We have an exciting new program that incorporates, worship, social justice and music into the lives of our children and youth as they explore Unitarian Universalism.

On the first Sunday of the month, the children and youth come together in the Maxwell Library/Social Hall to enjoy and participate in a worship service designed just for them. This is a time where they have the chance to “do church” in a way they can understand.

On the second and third Sundays, the children will attend the first part of the worship service in the Sanctuary with their families. They will participate with the rest of the congregation in lighting the chalice, singing hymns and hearing a story in keeping with the day’s theme before going to their classes.

On the fourth Sunday, our children and youth, ages Pre-K to High School, meet together for our Faith-in-Action program that will teach them about social justice, and the people who are working to do something about it. Social justice work is central to Unitarian Universalism, and empowering our children and youth to find ways to make the world a better place is of great importance to our congregation. (Volunteers needed).

This year we are delighted to have our music director, Dr. David Katz, help bring the joy of music into the religious education program. Dr. Katz will meet with each class and share a musical piece in line with the monthly worship theme. Children will get to play instruments, sing, and, most of all, have fun!

Here’s what we have planned for our Religious Education Program 2011-2012:

- ◆ Nursery (Ages 0-3) Free play, art, music and lots of love
- ◆ Pre-K & Kindergarten: Picture Book Bible Tales and World Religions
- ◆ 1st & 2nd grade: Experience with the Web of Life (Celebrates the 7th Principle)
- ◆ 3rd-5th grade: Treasure Hunting (UU identity, history, world community)
- ◆ 6th-8th grade: Traditions with a Wink (Stories, activities to help gain an understanding of our faith)
- ◆ 9th-12th grade: Heart and Hands (meets from 12-1pm after the worship service) Class and advisor designed program based on the “Hearts” and “Hands” of our community and youth.

Registration is required to ensure the safety and well being of everyone (including youth) in the religious education program. Registration forms are available on our website and at the RE table in the Social Hall.

The Religious Education Committee meets the first Thursday of the month in the Children’s Library from 7 pm until 9 pm. Our meetings are open to the congregation and we encourage people to attend.

If you would like to know more about the religious education program of UUC, join our UUCRE Yahoo group. UUCRE-subscribe@yahoo.com or contact Christine Pensa at:

Christinep@uuclearwater.org

Volunteers are always welcomed and encouraged!

We can’t wait for Sunday!

**Christine Pensa
Religious Education Coordinator**

Join the Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater Chorale



As my summer winds down, I look back on these beautiful Florida days with a better understanding of what Unitarian Universalists call "spirit of life."

Starting something new can take a lot of courage. Some of us may have perceived notions of what it is to join a group like a chorale. We are not a group of professional musicians. We are a group of people with a love of music and moved when poetry blends with beautiful melody. Some of us can read music while some cannot. Others of us have participated in various musical ensembles for years while still others are new to the endeavor. We are a highly diverse group of people in terms of our age, gender, personal affections, and even political persuasions.

We are a group of people with a love of music. Most importantly though, we are a loving, gracious covenant of people who support and nurture each other's souls. We help craft an experience on Sunday morning that nurtures and supports a collective body of people. I believe that we are an active and vibrant group that seeks to send a message of love that will move those we know enough to create change in a world that achingly needs change.

Our music and our time making music are a joyful, fun and sometimes a pretty wild experience. This year we will sing everything from "Let the River Run" by Carly Simon to Leonard Bernstein's 1971 landmark piece Mass. It is sure to be both challenging and exhilarating. I have no doubt there will be something for everyone!

I hope you can join us as we lift our spirits, celebrate each other and give joy to our lives and those around us. I would love to hear from you.



When the simple word is not enough, music lifts our spirit. As you think on the moments when a church service has touched you, the music and its universal understanding reached you in a very personal way. I hope you will share in that personal journey with the chorale and myself.

Blessed Be and Shalom, Dr. David Katz, Music Director

Nurture your spirit (through music); help heal our world.



Japanese Cultural Festival Saturday, October 1st from 5pm -8pm

Rissho Kosei-kai of Tampa Bay will host an evening of Japanese culture.

Enjoy traditional Japanese music, food, dance, games, and other activities here in the Tampa Bay. **Admission is free!** Entertainment includes: Tampa Taiko, Chii (Jpop Singer), Shakuhachi Performance, Okinawa Dance, and much more!

Bring your friends and family to the fun and festivities to experience Japan

here in Tampa Bay! This event will kick off the free Japanese language course offered by Rissho

Kosei-kai in the fall. For more information, please contact Rev. Nick Ozuna: rkampabay@yahoo.com

GROWING IN SPIRIT – 2011-12

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- ◆ **SEPTEMBER: VISION**
- ◆ **OCTOBER: FORGIVENESS**
- ◆ **NOVEMBER: COVENANT**
- ◆ **DECEMBER: PEACE**
- ◆ **JANUARY: EVIL**
- ◆ **FEBRUARY: LOVE**
- ◆ **MARCH: JOY**
- ◆ **APRIL: GRACE**
- ◆ **MAY: VOCATION**



SEPTEMBER: Vision

Books:

Scott Belsky,

Making Ideas Happen: Overcoming the Obstacles Between Vision and Reality

Mike Carey,

Vision: A Personal Call to Create a New World

Forrest Church,

Restoring Faith: America's Religious Leaders Answer Terror With Hope

Diana L. Eck, Darsan:

Seeing the Divine Image in India

Andy Stanley,

Making Vision Stick

Movies:

Field of Dreams (1989), starring Kevin Costner

An Iowa farmer hears a mysterious voice borne on the wind blowing through his corn field, "If you build it, they will come!" The voice becomes more insistent, until he gives in and builds a baseball diamond, complete with lights for night games and bleachers for spectators.

Water, The Drop of Life: Water, War, and Peace

A classic television series that presents a unique global exploration of what is predicted to be the biggest issue in the 21st century: coping with the scarcity of fresh water. The story of water is told with the help of global personalities, including Mikhail Gorbachev, Kofi Annan, The Dalai Lama, President Jimmy Carter, Shimon Peres, Queen Noor of Jordan, Ted Danson and Isabel Allende.

The Never-Ending Story (1984), starring Barrett Oliver, Noah Hathaway

In "The Never-Ending Story" all of Fantasia has been destroyed. All that is left is a grain of sand. Out of that grain, all of Fantasia can be reborn, if Bastian will only believe, and wish for it.

Worship Services — Sundays at 10:30 am

Sept. 4 Searching for "Labor" on Labor Day

Abhi Janamanchi

Worship Associate - Nancy Warner

What is the role of the church in the midst of rising unemployment and joblessness? When jobs pay too little? When housing, childcare, and health care are too expensive? This service will investigate.

Sept. 11 9/11 Plus 10: Remembrance & Hope

Abhi Janamanchi

Worship Associate - Cathy Costa

On the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, our Unitarian Universalist faith calls us to leave behind fears and prejudice and chart a new course towards hope, peace, reconciliation, and understanding.

Hearts & Hands Reception

Sunday, 9/11/2011, Noon - 1:30pm, Social Hall

Members, friends and guests are welcome to attend this special reception to learn more about the many opportunities to serve at UUC. It will also be a special time to honor those who donate their time to serve UUC and our wider community. UUC Committee Chairs and other leaders will be available to answer questions and will be providing delicious snacks at their information tables. For more information, please contact Denise Seeber or Judy Wade.

Sept. 18 Gathering The Waters, Celebrating Community

Abhi Janamanchi, Christine Pensa

Worship Associates - Charlotte Olson, Susan Hegner, Cathy Costa

Our annual ingathering service (spirited worship) will explore through story and song what it means for us to extend our welcome beyond the usual doctrinal boundaries of mainstream religion -- to be welcoming to more than "people just like us?" The service will also feature a 'water communion' ritual so please remember to bring a small container of water from your summer travels or your kitchen sink.

New UU, Thursday, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6, 7 PM

Rev. Abhi Janamanchi

Starting Thu., Sept. 22, we will be offering a three-session introduction to Unitarian Universalism. The program addresses the needs of newcomers who want to know more about who we are and what we believe. It provides opportunities for UUC members to share with newcomers what it means to them to be a Unitarian Universalist. It gives newcomers a chance to examine their own personal stories in the light of our Unitarian Universalist tradition and heritage. It provides a chance for newcomers to the congregation and long-timers to connect. Free and open to everyone.

Sept. 25 The Square

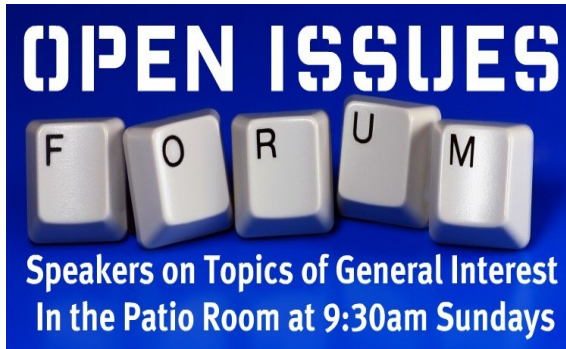
Rev. Lynn Acquafondata

Worship Associate – Sue Boone

Sometimes what we once thought was our comfortable and predictable life spins out of control. Using the image of a simple square, Rev. Lynn Acquafondata explores how individuals and organizations might be able to respond to hostile situations in productive ways.

Rev. Lynn M. Acquafondata is a Unitarian Universalist minister who serves as a chaplain for VITAS Hospice in Pittsburgh, PA. She is working on her thesis as a candidate for the Doctor of Ministry program at Meadville Lombard Theological School.





Sep 4th DVD, "The Zeitgeist Movement: Moving Forward"

In January, the film was released in over 60 countries and in over 30 languages, with over 340 screenings worldwide. According to one critic, The Zeitgeist Movement is "...the first Internet-based apocalyptic cult, centered around a doomsday-proclaiming film...." We will show and discuss the segment entitled "Project Earth," how best to design the planet if we could start from scratch. Next month we'll show the final segment, entitled "Rise," describing what action we should take.

Sep 11th Cancelled for "Hearts to Hands Fair" (aka "Committee Fair")

Sep 18th Doris Norrito. "Is peace between Israel and Palestine possible?" Why the peace process hasn't worked and what you can do to help. Doris, a free lance journalist, will introduce Maher Albarghuthi, whose family is suffering in occupied Palestine. She will have list of organizations involved in the peace process and contacts for anyone who wants to travel to Palestine. The program will include a short video recap and time for Q&A.

Sep 25th Sylvia Rockwell. "Oman: Tribes, Traditions, and Transformations" Sylvia spoke at Open Issues on June 25th, with a superb 'show and tell' presentation. We ran out of time, and she agreed to come back. This time we're inviting to our Religious Education children join us for an intergenerational, intercultural forum.

UUC now has a very comprehensive, fully developed hurricane preparedness procedure manual thanks to Jeanne Carney. Her background in the military doing similar work was UUC's fortune. She compiled a wealth of information from our members needing housing in the event of an evacuation as well as from those willing to host. She developed procedures including maps, emergency management information, recovery information and much more. As we hope to never need the information, it would prove invaluable in the event of a disaster. Thank you Jeanne. If you did not let us know that you would be needing housing from another UUC member during a hurricane or other disaster, please give the front office a call, Tuesday - Friday, 9 a.m. to noon, and let us know.

UU 101 is a class that briefly explains the history and beliefs of Unitarian Universalism. It is offered the first Sunday of each month in the library at 12:30 pm. A light lunch is provided. **The next class will be September 4th** and will be led by Rev. Abhi Janamanchi. Anyone interested in attending this class may sign up online or **contact: Cindi Nohe at cindiln53@yahoo.com or call 727-943-9661.**



A request from your editor to people sending material for the Octagram:
Please let me know what you're sending me with titles like:
"Open Issues July," "Worship Services July" and so on. That would help me so much. Also, all I need is text (either in an email or attached to email) You can copy and paste into Email or actually type it in the email. I don't need .doc files or .pdf files.
Thank you. Lary

Share the Plate

On September 11th the Share the Plate recipient will be the Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry Florida. The UULMF is a justice ministry that empowers the moral voice of Unitarian Universalist values in the public arena throughout Florida. The ministry educates, organizes and advocates for public policies that uphold our seven principles. For the last two years, in cooperation with the Florida Coalition for the Homeless, they have been concentrating on publicizing the plight of the homeless in Florida by participating in a Lobby Day at our state capitol. The UULMF welcomes input from UUs and encourages participation in determining their annual legislative agenda. Please support the UULMF and give generously. The September 25th recipient will be announced in the Weekly Bulletin.



Economic Justice

Linda Stoller, Team Leader

Background on the Dream Act

Each year, approximately 65,000 high school graduates are prevented from attending college or working legally due to their undocumented immigration status. Our immigration law currently has no mechanism to consider their special circumstances, and even if they leave the U.S. in an effort to enter legally, they are barred from re-entry for up to 10 years since they have been here in an undocumented status. The DREAM Act would correct this inequity by allowing upstanding high school graduates who were brought to the United States as children years ago to obtain a temporary visa so they could attend school, travel, and work legally. After 10 years, they could apply for a green card (lawful permanent residency), and eventually apply for citizenship. To qualify for the temporary visa, students would have to prove they are under 30 years old, were brought to the United States before they were 16, have been here for at least five years, have graduated from High School, and have a criminal-free record and good moral conduct. Then, they would have to complete two years of college, trade school, or military service to then adjust their status to lawful permanent residency and pursue a pathway to citizenship.

Across ideological and partisan lines, we can agree that punishing children for their parents' actions violates our most deeply held moral values.

The DREAM Act has received significant bipartisan support in the past, and today we're calling on both Democrats and Republicans to step up and give these young people the opportunity to pursue the American dream.



We ought to give talented, upstanding, hardworking youth the opportunity to serve their country in the military or contribute to their country through higher education. It's not right to deport children who haven't done anything wrong to a country they've never known.

The status quo is not tenable... our nation is losing precious talent every year, as young people face insurmountable barriers to education and employment.

Countering the myths:

- ◆ The DREAM Act would not force states to provide in-state tuition to undocumented immigrants.
- ◆ The DREAM Act is not amnesty, since these children did not choose to come here illegally. It merely allows them to correct their status with a law that they had no say in breaking.
- ◆ The DREAM Act does not facilitate chain migration. Students who qualify would have to wait a minimum of 13 years before even applying for their parents to join them in the United States. Even then, parents would have to wait 4-7 years, plus a 10-year bar for illegal presence.
- ◆ The DREAM Act would not jeopardize more comprehensive immigration reform

The Economic Justice Team has made the passage of the DREAM Act one of their goals for this year. On October 9th the UUC will be celebrating a Dream Sabbath along with congregations of all faiths across the nation. Watch for more information and actions you can take in support of this important legislative bill.

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The Coalition of Immokalee Workers Fair Food Campaign Against Publix Continues

On the day after Labor Day, September 6th, farm workers from the CIW will complete their 200 mile bike tour from Immokalee to Lakeland, the headquarters of Publix. The farm workers are attempting to extend a personal invitation to Ed Crenshaw, the supermarkets CEO, to visit Immokalee so that he can learn first hand about the Fair Food Campaign, and the problems the farm workers face every day.



Members and friends from the UUC will be at Barnett Park in Lakeland at 10 AM to welcome the farm workers and join them in their final stretch to Publix headquarters. There will be shuttles between the park and headquarters where a prayerful midday action will be lead by acclaimed author Brian McLaren.

We will be carpooling from the UUC at 9 AM on September 6th. Please sign up in the social hall after the service or contact Linda Stoller if you want to participate.

The Price of Fair Trade Coffee



Beginning September 11th the price of the Fair Trade Coffee and Tea will be going up. The key factors affecting coffee prices world wide are:

1. Climate Change - Weather patterns are changing in coffee growing regions. The impact of various extreme and unusual weather patterns is reduced crop quantities both on individual farms and on the farmer co-ops where Equal Exchange purchases coffee;
2. Farmer Costs - Both the cost of living (higher food costs) for the farmer and the cost of growing the beans have gone up. The cost of green (unroasted) coffee beans has been increasing over the past 12 months and has affected the whole coffee market;

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3. Commodities Speculation - Traders are buying up supply and coffee contracts assuming the price will continue to rise. This has become a self-fulfilling prophesy, as less supply and contracts are available.

However we will continue to sell fair trade coffee and tea at the UUC on the second Sunday of each month. A portion of the proceeds goes to the UUSC and the UUC. This past year we were able to give \$600 to the UUC General Operating Fund. In addition, our participation in this Social Justice program supports worker co-ops all around the world so that they can make a fair living without harming the environment.

Make your morning cup of coffee or tea an act of Social Justice. Buy Fair Trade!

Economic Justice Team Changes its Meeting Date & Time for the new year.

This year the Economic Justice Team will be meeting on the third Thursday of each month from 7 PM to 9 PM. Our next meeting will be on September 15th. All UUC members and friends are welcome to attend. This is an excellent opportunity to put the UU principles into practice. For more information contact Linda Stoller.

Environmental Justice

Dotti "GreenJeans" Doyle, Team Leader

The Green Team last met on August 20, 2011 to make plans for the new church year. In conjunction with the Property Committee, members have participated in grounds clean-up with particular attention to the Memory Garden behind the Octagon, as well as cleaning up the vegetable garden to prepare for fall planting.

We will be participating in the Hearts and Hands Reception on Sunday, September 11th to teach members about service opportunities with our team.

On the following Saturday, September 17th, instead of our usual team meeting, we will be preparing and planting the vegetable garden from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Garden volunteers may "come for an hour or come for the morning."

The Green Team will be continuing our monthly film series. **However, in September the film, "King Corn" will be shown on the fourth Saturday, September 24th, rather than the usual third Saturday.** "King Corn" was produced by two recent college grads who wanted to see where our food comes from. They planted an acre of corn and followed it from seeds to the dinner plate. With the help of government subsidies, genetically modified seeds and powerful herbicides, corn becomes the staple of America's cheapest – and most troubling foods. Join us on Saturday, Sept 27th at 7:00 p.m. to watch this fascinating documentary of agribusiness.



Readers Forum

Read and discuss books selected by the group from a variety of genre. Join us for coffee and a lively book discussion.



On October 7, we begin discussing the biography, Truman, by distinguished historian and Pulitzer-Prize-winning author David McCullough.

Hailed by critics as an American masterpiece, David McCullough's sweeping biography of Harry S Truman captured the heart of the nation. The life and times of the thirty-third President of the United States, Truman provides a deeply moving look at an extraordinary, singular American. From Truman's small-town, turn-of-the-century boyhood and his transforming experience in the face of war in 1918, to his political beginnings in the powerful Pendergast machine and his rapid rise to prominence in the U.S. Senate, McCullough shows a man of uncommon vitality and strength of character. Here too is a telling account of Truman's momentous decision to use the atomic bomb and the weighty responsibilities that he was forced to confront at the dawning of a new age.

Before attending the October 7 session, please read Part One 'SON OF THE MIDDLE BORDER.' This will bring you to page 138 (in the hard covered book).

Tentative Schedule

Oct 7 To end of Chapter 4 (all of Part One, to page 138)

Oct 14 To end of Chapter 6, Part 3 (to page 225)

Oct 21 To end of Chapter 8, Part 2 (to page 313)

Oct 28 To end of Chapter 9 (to page 404)

Nov 4 To end of Chapter 11, Part 2 (to page 493)

Nov 11 To end of Chapter 12 (to page 583)

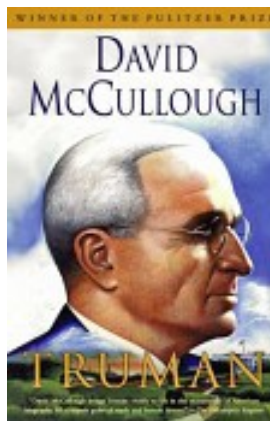
Nov 18 To end of Chapter 14, Part 1 (to page 668)

Nov 25 To end of Chapter 15, Part 2 (to page 751)

Dec 2 To end of Chapter 16, Part 4 (to page 831)

Dec 9 To end of Chapter 17, Part 5 (to page 914)

Dec 16 To end of Chapter 18 (chapter ends on page 992)



To reserve this book in the Pinellas Library System, go to pals.polarislibrary.com. Use keyword: "Truman" and search by: "Title." Select the item: "Truman by McCullough" dated 1992. Then click on "Place Request". (You must enter the barcode found on your library card, and your password, which is the last four digits of your phone number).

To purchase this book at Amazon.com, please go to the UUC home page at uuclearwater.org and use the Amazon link in the lower right corner. UUC will receive 4% of the purchase price. Enter the keywords "Truman by David McCullough" and click on Go. New paperbacks start at \$6.06.

**Readers Forum Leaders: Catherine & John Conover
We meet every Friday 10:00-11:30 AM in the Chorale Room of the UUC Octagon.
There is no fee but we will accept donations for coffee.
No Registration Required – All are welcome.**



Key Dates for SUUSI 2012

October 1, 2011	Workshop Proposals accepted on-line
October 1, 2011	Staff Applications accepted on-line
November 1, 2011	Workshop Proposal deadline
March 2012	Catalog information mailed and on line
April 2012	On-line registration opens
May 6, 2012	SUUSIship Deadline
May 13, 2012	Registration deadline to receive \$50 per person discount
June 17, 2012	Registration deadline to receive \$25 per person discount
July 15, 2012	SUUSI 2012 BEGINS!!!

Great Links for SUUSI

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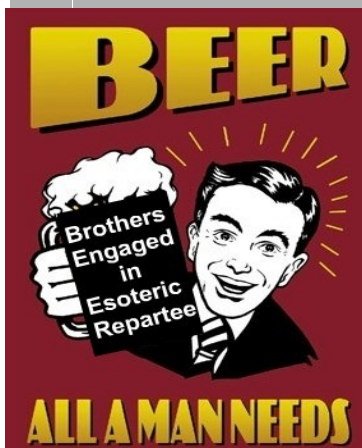
www.suusi.org/beonstaff2

www.suusi.org/cabaret

SUUSI is held on the campus of Radford University in Radford, VA. Facilities on this beautiful, intimate campus include modern dorm living with singles, doubles, teen, family, and quiet dorms, recreational facilities, and dining hall with upscale vegetarian alternatives. Information can be found on-line at www.suusi.org. You can get your questions about SUUSI answered and apply to: **receive assistance** (SUUSIship), work on staff or offer to lead your own workshop (**gain credit** towards your registration fee), volunteer, and register as a participant. **Make this year your year! UU Heaven awaits you**



UUC contingent at the start of the banner parade at the 2011 SUUSI



"BEER" is an acronym for Brothers Engaged in Esoteric Repartee, the informal men's discussion group of the UUC. And, no, you do not have to drink beer or wine or strong spirits to join us. BEER will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, always, at two different locations. The first meeting of the month will be at The Whistle Stop Bar and Grill on Main Street in Safety Harbor; the second meeting will be at O'Keefe's Restaurant on Ft. Harrison Road in Clearwater.

Sept 1 Whistle Stop	Sept 22 O'Keefe's	Oct 6 Whistle Stop
Oct 20 O'Keefe's	Nov 3 Whistle Stop	Nov 17 O'Keefe's
Dec 1 Whistle Stop	Dec 15 O'Keefe's	

If you have any questions, want additional information or simple reassurance, contact Craig Alldredge at 742-0263, or at scaldredge@aol.com.



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