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Sunday, February 3 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Family Lenten Practices"

Rev. Chip & Karen McCarthy

Instead of giving up a "bad" habit, try adopting a new "good" habit! We'll explore the value of spiritual practice in general, and offer practical practices for families. This will be an intergenerational service.

Sunday, February 10 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Prospects for an Evangelical Atheism"

Dan Orr

Several well-publicized recent books offer persuasive testimony that atheism should be actively advocated as an alternative to the traditional God-based religions. In this service Dan Orr will highlight some of their points, and then give an opinion as to why they will not attract many "converts."

Sunday, February 17 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"U Haul? Long Haul!"

Rev. Chip

How relationships can be difficult, and why that might be good for us.

Sunday, February 24 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"All the World's a Stage (Integral Life Practice, third of five)"

Rev. Chip; Vocal Ensemble

How Red-Staters are orange, Blue-Staters are green, and most Fundamentalists are blue: the stages of life we all go through—and some we aspire to. This is the third of a series on Ken Wilber's "Integral Vision." You need not have heard the others to appreciate this one.

Sunday, March 2 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Musical Pastries, or Making a Bun Dance"

Rev. Chip

With a song in our heart, and a twinkle in our eye, take somebody's hand and let's take the next step in the dance together!

Sunday, March 9 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"The Joy of Youth"

UUCGT Youth Group

The Youth Group will be providing the service this Sunday, on a topic yet to be determined. Come see how our youth are wise beyond their years.

Sunday, March 16 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Journey of Self-Discovery"

Michael "Frosti" Zernow

Survivor contestant and world-traveling professional Traceur (free-running specialist), Michael "Frosti" Zernow has voyaged across the globe. Join this high-spirited personality and former active UUCGT Youth Group member as he shares his insights on how he worked to outwit, outplay, and outlast on journeys of outward adventure and inward self-discovery.

Sunday, March 23 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Forty Days of Joy"

Rev. Chip; Vocal Ensemble

With Easter comes the end of Lent—but not the end of our joyful Lenten practice. How to live real joy in just minutes a day.

Sunday, March 30 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Justice Sunday: the Cost of Iraq"

Rev. Chip

In the year of the 40th anniversary of Martin Luther King's assassination, his words continue to ring true. We will honor his legacy by restoring justice for the people of the United States of America, and for the people of Iraq. Justice Sunday 2008 will empower congregants to become more active participants in our nation's democracy while honoring Dr. King's dream. The war in Iraq has drained this nation's resources, creating a humanitarian crisis in Iraq, and leaving a multitude needs at home unmet—including the disgraceful lack of resources and commitment to rebuild the Gulf Coast.

the BEACON

BEACON Deadlines: Last Sunday of each month, following the last service.

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From Our Senior Minister

Wildest, Dearest, Deepest

26 January 2008

“At one point, our long hike brought us to a waterfall that was so breathtaking we just sat down and looked up at it with our mouths hanging open. I got big tears in my eyes, and T asked, ‘Why are you crying?’ I said, ‘I can’t believe I got this life. I can’t believe my life turned out this good.’ I’m still carrying that gratitude around with me as I lay in our own comfortable familiar bed typing to you, Gentle Reader. I have been surrounded by and lifted up by people, many of whom have no idea how much they have meant to me, that have enabled my wildest, dearest, deepest dreams to come true. I don’t know why, but I’m living in grace,

and I feel humbled and awed.”

The preceding paragraph was written by a dear friend of mine, who blogs (keeps an internet diary) at <http://puddingandproof.blogspot.com>. The person referred to as “T” is my friend’s partner. They lift me up, and they may not know how much they mean to me, and I feel humbled and awed to know them. This congregation also lifts me up, and even if I try, I cannot tell you how much you mean to me, or how we all enable each others’ wildest, dearest and deepest dreams. I celebrate the UUCGT community.

With Spirit,

—the Rev. Chip Roush

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ACTION

We are pleased to see that things are a-buzzing at our congregation—many, many things to help those less fortunate! *Safe Harbor* is one example. Thanks to all who helped and a very special thanks to Ann Dressel for spearheading this big and important project!!

“Movies that Matter the Most” has had a problem with snow interference. At this time *Dying to Leave*, will be shown at a later date, to be announced. The film explores the current worldwide boom in illicit migration and human trafficking. Every year, an estimated two to four million people are shipped in containers, shepherded through sewage pipes, secreted in car chassis, and ferried across frigid waters. Others travel on legitimate carriers but with forged documents. An alarming number of these migrants end up in bondage, forced to work as prostitutes, thieves, or as laborers in sweatshops. By listening to the voices of those who pulled up their roots and risked all, the film puts a human face on what might otherwise be seen as statistical, overwhelming and remote, and reveals the circumstances that drove these migrants from their homes, the difficulties involved in their epic journeys, and what awaits them in their new world.

The documentary about *Blood Diamonds* and a brief documentary

Bling—this is scheduled for Friday, February 8 at 7 PM.

While on the subject of a major Hollywood movie and public awareness campaigns, over a decade has passed since the scourge of conflict diamonds began destroying vast swaths of African society. In this essential documentary, THE HISTORY CHANNEL® travels around the world and into the heart of darkness to shed light on this terrible trade. Learn the background and the practices of the business tally its international and personal cost, and meet the participants at every level who, willingly or not, keep the terrible wheel turning. Most movingly, hear Usman Conteh tell his wrenching story: enslaved in the mines of Sierra Leone for months, he escaped to discover his entire family had been slaughtered. Then find hope in what the international community and a few forthright organizations are doing to disrupt the trade and end the suffering.

Coffee—all regular coffee prices are the same, although one is less. The decaf coffee must be raised to \$8.25. Grans coffee is decreased and you will now only be charged \$7.75. Thank you for continuing to buy our great coffee. In doing this you get fair trade and shade grown deliciousness.

Health Care for all, provided by One Party Payer, is a UU priority and a priority of many all over the state. If you are interested in learning more and want to help organize a city-wide educational program with speakers, please see me. I

look forward to working with you.

The Social Justice Action committee meets first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at the church. That meeting is February 5 this month. Thanks!

—Emmy Lou 943-7999

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Scholarships

Our UUA offers college scholarships—nine are listed at www.uua.org/giving/awardsscholarships. Applications for two of them, for studying art and law; are due by 2/15. See www.uua.org/giving/awardsscholarships/stanfieldand/index.shtml for details, or download the application at www.uua.org/documents/uua/031001_stanfieldapp.pdf.

UU B & B in Toronto

Toronto Beaches Bed & Breakfast for UUs during the 20th Annual Beaches International Jazz Festival, July 18-27, 2008. Neighbourhood UU Congregation is continuing with a Bed & Breakfast program for Unitarians to visit the Beaches area of Toronto at this favourite time of year. Check out www.nuuc.ca www.beachesjazz.com and www.beachesbia.com. For more information please contact Jon Whitehead at 416 691 1397 or joncwhitehead@hotmail.com

—Beverly Carr, Neighbourhood UU Congregation, Toronto

MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT

You may read other notes about “Safe Harbor” in this issue of the Beacon...but here is my story.

Safe Harbor is a program which feeds and houses the homeless during the Michigan winter. Members of many different congregations work to house and feed individuals with no homes. The assignment for each church is one week in length. The program has been in existence for four years and is truly an ecumenical outreach. When I worked on January 25 the “labor of love” was divided thusly: The folks at Christ United Methodist Church provided the dining and sleeping facility, member of Bay Point Community Church stayed through the night as aides, and members of Avahat Shalom and UUCGT provided the food. What a joy it was to watch volunteers serve delicious home-

cooked food and chat with the several hundred guests. A special thanks goes to Ann Dressel who organized all the cooks and bakers from our congregation.

January Board Action Items:

- 1) Modified the proposed stewardship budget using incremental increases for UUAC/Heartland dues, the DRE position, and the Bookkeeper position.
- 2) Authorized the Treasurer to close the Miscellaneous Fundraising account and move those funds to an appropriate account.
- 3) Nominated Rev. Chip, Joan Sheard, Leslie Cook, and Sally Mitchell to serve as our delegates at the spring Heartland conference.

—Joan

MINDING THE STORE

UUCGT Ambassadors

The Membership Committee seeks members to help us welcome newcomers. These Ambassadors will host visitors to the Welcome Table, offering a broader introduction to UUCGT before and/or after the service.



Rather than scheduling volunteers for specific dates, we invite them to check in at the Welcome Table when available, and then accompany visitors when they are ready to move on, offering a tour of the building, conversation about what interest has brought them here, or introductions to people they want to meet (ministers, RE Director, leaders of specific groups in the Congregation). Ambassadors may answer questions, help newcomers find a seat in the Sanctuary, and perhaps sit nearby and then join them for coffee.

Some visitors prefer to be anonymous until they know us better. Some are here because they are visiting family in town, some are UUs elsewhere. Others are exploring with serious interest in the possibility of

joining us. With this in mind, we ask you to modify the above list as you think best in each situation.

Several of our Past Presidents have already agreed to be Ambassadors, and we are now inviting others to share their experience in UUCGT by joining them. If this interests you, please stop by the Welcome Table and let us know. Membership Committee:
Cal Boulter, Ann Dressel, Bob Fitch, Judy Halsted, John and Pinkie Hoffmann, Charlotte Shea, Jane Watts

Come to the 9:30 Service

Do you want a more intimate Sunday experience—more reflective music, and a more “personal” touch? Or maybe you just want to get a better seat for Sunday brunch, or to be able to attend church and the Sunday matinee at the State? Consider attending the 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday. You can get a really good parking place, sit wherever you want, and touch base with lots of people between the services.

The early service is usually very similar to the second service, but with some changes: typically, the children’s story is summarized, not read in full; and the special music is often a quartet of Vocal Ensemble members. Also, the Joys and Concerns format allows one to personally speak to the congregation at the microphone.

The service is scheduled to be an

hour in length, while the second service is planned to be an hour and a quarter. So you can be out on the trail before noon!

—the Sunday Services Committee

Joys & Concerns

The experiment is finally over! From now on, our 11:00 Sunday services will include a “Joys and Concerns” book. We will ask people to write their sorrows and their joys in the book at the front of the sanctuary—which the service leader will read, during the “Joys and Concerns” time. You can write in the book during the service, or before the service, as you arrive, or come in during the week and write what is in your heart. Of course, you can also call or email the office, and we will write it in for you. At the smaller, more intimate 9:30 service, you can still stand up and speak your joy or sorrow into a microphone. And you can always light a silent candle, at any time during any service. The Sunday Services Committee thanks all who participated in the survey—we appreciate your passionate responses!

“Caring Community Committee” Forming

The hardworking volunteers who provide receptions after memorial services need help—so a separate “Caring Community Committee” is

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being formed. We envision two teams of volunteers who will be ready, by turns, to provide this very important service to grieving families.

Volunteers can choose whether they prefer to help by preparing food, setting up the Social Hall, serving the food, or preparing the kitchen and Social Hall for the next use.

Opportunities range from baking brownies to moving tables and walls; men as well as women are needed. Since some of the work must be done before or after the service, attendance at a service or reception is not required of all volunteers.

Experienced help will be available.

We will be seeking volunteers in the next few weeks, and a training session will be scheduled in late February.

The receptions we provide after memorial services are a gift we give to our own community and to the larger community. Arline Howe and Bonnie Mathias and their assistants have established a very high standard of quality in caring for families experiencing loss, and our Caring Community Committee will continue that tradition, with their help.

Please contact Solveig Gustafson (929-9608) or Judy Halsted (223-7277) with questions or to volunteer.

Building update

More than 50 people participated in Congregational Conversations to help us refine the recommendations on how to proceed with building expansion. Thank you!

Next, I will ask the Board to convene a Facilities Committee and a small Finance Team. If you are interested in serving on either of these, please contact me at heatonpc@charter.net or call 922-8146.

The Facilities Committee will prepare a request for proposals from design/build firms, and continue to collect estimates and make recommendations for improvements to our existing building. The Finance Team will work with banks to

determine best financing options, prepare financial scenarios and monitor cash flow.

Based on feedback from members, there appears to be minimal support for putting some of the building funds into the Endowment portion. Revised recommendations will be forthcoming. I should note that the construction timeline originally presented was overly optimistic. Provided the Congregation votes to move forward, and supports the recommendations by giving generously to the annual Stewardship Campaign, we may be able to break ground this summer.

Your continued feedback and questions are encouraged.

—Paul Heaton
Trustee for Facilities

Legacy Group Forming

The Endowment Committee is preparing to recognize members of the UUCGT Legacy Society, which includes people who have provided for donations to the Endowment Fund in their wills or trusts. The kiosk in our building contains folders with directions for making those donations, and your attorney may also show you how to do it.

We plan to display a plaque in the building, with the names of those who have identified themselves to the Endowment Committee as having made such donations in their wills or trusts. Please contact any member of the Endowment Committee and tell us if you have done so. Our committee includes Marcia Bellinger, Joe Cook, Phyllis Jessup, John Bachman and Kennard Weaver.

We know a few who have already made plans for donations, but if you are not certain we have your names, please let us know. We intend to add names to the ranks of the Legacy Society as additional people join us.

We also expect to present names of the Legacy Society in annual reports to the Board and membership of the Congregation.

Please join with us in this easy and rewarding effort to provide for the stability and longevity of our Congregation.

—Kennard Weaver

Save Your Books

Last year's Used Book Sale fundraiser was a huge success. We are planning one for next September. Save your used books to donate, and make it another huge success in 2008.

—Penny Ort and Pinkie Hoffmann

ADULT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Crones & Scones

The UUCGT "Crones and Scones" will meet on Wednesday, February 13th at 11:00 AM at the State Theater. We will have lunch at CiaoBella following the movie. At 11:30 AM on Wednesday, February 27th we will have lunch and discussion at Minerva's. Please be prepared to share some of the religious traditions from your past or present religious experiences that continue to touch you. Please call Marge Rundell or Solveig Gustafson for further information.

Men's Group

UUCGT Men will meet for dinner and conversation at the Cottage Café (near Days Inn) on Monday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. The topic will be, "When did you first see your father cry and how did you respond to that experience? What are your feelings about that experience today?" Please join us for good food and fellowship!

—John Ort

Classic Film Series

The Classic Film Series committee invites you to join us on Friday, February 15th for the evening film at the State Theater. We'll be



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 attending the closest showing after 6pm and will congregate at the Horizon Bookstore fireplace area afterwards for conversation. The film has not yet been announced for that date, so keep checking the film schedule at www.statetheatretrc.org. Contact any of the committee members if you have any questions: L.E. and H.G. Smith, Anna and John Bachman, Pinkie and John Hoffman, Joan Sheard and Myrna Yeakle, and Solveig and Mark Gustafson. All are welcome! We will be meeting like this every 3rd Friday of the month in lieu of presenting films this year.

—Anna Bachman



The RE Scoop

What's Religious about Our Religious Education?

As a staff member at UUCGT, I often answer phone calls from people asking about our congregation and our denomination, as well as about our Religious Education program. Recently, I've responded to queries about the content of our Sunday services, our relationship with the local Buddhist community, and our position on gay and lesbian issues.

Another caller asked, "What's religious about your Religious Education program?" I responded with a basic description of our RE, which can be found on our website. The caller persisted, asking, "But what makes that religious?"

I explained my understanding of the word "religion"—it comes from the Latin *re-ligare*, "to bind together again." So, I see religion as a path we choose to re-connect ourselves with each other and with the holy, however we understand the holy.

And religious education is our effort to teach our children those connections.

Although most dictionary definitions of "religion" refer to supernatural deities and practices of dogma, I believe that we, as Unitarian Universalists, can understand and use that term in a more expansive way.

Our movement has re-defined the word "family"—we no longer think of a family as strictly "mom and dad and 2.5 children"—we recognize the concept of family in a broader, more inclusive way, even though there are those who disagree and hold to a narrow definition.

I think that we can expand our understanding of the language of reverence in a similar way, and that we'll all be better for it—we'll be helping our children to grow up with more open minds, and we'll be helping our religion to move in from the margins, and to be taken more seriously in the public square as a force to be reckoned with as we work for the greater good!

- Karen McCarthy, DRE

A GREEN SANCTUARY SPECIAL EVENT 7PM WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2008

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DON'T GAMBLE WITH COAL

A PRESENTATION OF THE MICHIGAN COAL RUSH

- ◆ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS
- ◆ JOB CREATION
- ◆ UTILITY COST INCREASES

AFTER A YEAR OF INTENSIVE EDUCATION AND INVESTIGATION, TOM KARAS WILL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE RECENT WAVE OF COAL PLANT PROPOSALS IN MICHIGAN, AND THEIR IMPACT ON THE STATE. TOM WILL PRESENT WITH A COMBINATION OF POWERPOINT SLIDES AND ACTIVE DISCUSSION TO GIVE THE PARTICIPANTS THE KNOWLEDGE THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO

ENGAGE IN THIS FAST MOVING ISSUE.

A SPECIAL EVENT COMBINATION IS AVAILABLE THAT EVENING, SUPPER AT SIX, A POTLUCK DINNER HOSTED BY ENERGETIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS WOULD ENJOY YOUR PRESENCE FOR A SOCIAL HOUR BEGINNING AT 5:30, POTLUCK AT 6:00, FOLLOWED BY THE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION. PLEASE CALL SALLY MITCHELL IF PLANNING TO ATTEND AT 929-2798.

**DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL EVENT,
 FELLOWSHIP, GOOD FOOD,
 EDUCATION, AND DISCUSSION!!**

Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education at UUCGT

This spring, UUCGT will again offer the comprehensive human sexuality curriculum OWL (Our Whole Lives) for 7th and 8th graders from our congregation and the wider community.

This year, we will offer the first five sessions of the OWL curriculum; the next six will be offered in 2008-09.

This program is a result of the combined efforts of the Unitarian

Universalist Association and

the United Church of Christ. The curriculum is completely secular, yet its underlying values reflect the justice-oriented traditions of both denominations.

The overall goal of OWL is to help participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. It equips participants with accurate, age-appropriate information in human development, relationships, personal skills, sexual behavior, sexual health, and society and culture. It not only provides facts about anatomy, but helps participants to clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional, and social aspects of sexuality. Read more at <http://www.uua.org/religiouseducation/curricula/ourwhole/>.

We are fortunate to have four people who have been specifically trained to teach this program: Gail Trill, Katy Bean-Larson, Ron Yatich, and John Bachman. Congregation member Paula Hartmann, a trained sex educator, will be helping out, as will RE Committee Chair Kathy Tack, along with DRE Karen McCarthy and Rev. Chip Roush. Guest presenters will include local health care practitioners and Planned Parenthood educators.

OWL Parent Orientation

Sunday, February 10

12:30 soup lunch

1:00-3:00 meeting

UUCGT social hall

Attendance at this orientation session is crucial! Like the entire curriculum, the parent session is experiential. You'll have the opportunity to meet the teachers, ask questions, and raise concerns. Because OWL covers controversial material, it is important that all parents understand what subjects are taught and how they are approached.

If it is impossible for you to attend the parent orientation, please contact us and we'll arrange to meet with you.

The OWL experiences are tentatively scheduled as follows. Because of the cumulative nature of the program, and its sensitive nature, we ask families to commit to all four sessions. If you have a conflict, please let us know!

March 1 Session 1 All Day
(Saturday 8:30 am – 6 pm)

March 22 - 23 Session 2 Overnight
(Saturday 9:00 am – Sunday 8:30 am)

April 26 Session 3 All Day
(Saturday 11:00 am – 6 pm)

May 10 - 11 Session 4 Overnight
(Saturday 9:00 am – Sunday 8:30 am)

Please contact **Karen McCarthy at 947-3117** or **Gail Trill at 938-1333** for more information, and to register your child.

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- 3 Sun Buddhist Sitting Group, Fleda Brown, 5-6:30 PM
- 4 Mon SOS meeting, Steve Decker, Jeff Sanborn, 7-8 p.m.
- 5 Tue Spirit in the Bone, Kevin Tarsa, 7:00-8:15 PM
- 5 Tue Social Justice Action Committee, Emmy Lou Cholak, 7:00-9:00 PM
- 6 Wed Supper at Six, potluck, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: Tom Karas, "Battling the Michigan Coal Rush"
- 6 Wed Meditation Group, Catherine Dancer, 12-1 PM
- 7 Thur Finance Committee, Holly Knibbs, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- 7 Thur VE BYOD, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- 7 Thur Family Mental Health, 7-8 p.m.
- 7 Thur Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
- 8 Fri "Movies that Matter the Most," Emmy Lou Cholak, 7-10 PM
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- 12 Tue Board of Trustees, Joan Sheard, 7-9 PM
- 13 Wed Meditation Group, Catherine Dancer, 12-1 PM
- 13 Wed Peacemakers Needleworkers, 1-4 PM
- 13 Wed Membership Committee, John Hoffman, 3-5 PM
- 13 Wed Supper at Six, \$4 per adult, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: "Favorite Book from Christmas," Sally will bring hers: *The discovery of France* by Graham Robb
- 14 Thur Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
- 16 Sat Bill "Cadillac Willie" memorial service, Chip Rouse, 11 a.m.-noon
- 17 Sun** **"U Haul? Long Haul!" Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.**
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- 20 Wed Meditation Group, Catherine Dancer, 12-1 PM
- 20 Wed Supper at Six, \$4 per adult, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: Judy and Ken Weaver, "Nigerian Experiences"
- 21 Thur Family Mental Health, 7-8 p.m.
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- 22 Fri "Movies that Matter the Most," Emmy Lou Cholak, 7-10 PM
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- 24 Sun Buddhist Sitting Group, Fleda Brown, 5-6:30 PM
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- 26 Tue Sunday Services Committee, Maura Brennan, 7-9 PM
- 27 Wed Meditation Group, Catherine Dancer, 12-1 PM

- 27 Wed Supper at Six, \$4 per adult, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: HG Smith, "William and Ellery Channing"
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- 20 Thur Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
- 23 Sun** **"Forty Days of Joy," Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.**
- 23 Sun Buddhist Sitting Group, Fleda Brown, 5-6:30 PM
- 25 Tue Sunday Services Committee, Maura Brennan, 7-9 PM
- 26 Wed Meditation Group, Catherine Dancer, 12-1 PM
- 26 Wed Peacemakers Needleworkers, 1-4 PM
- 26 Wed Supper at Six, \$4 per adult, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: TBA
- 27 Thur Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
- 28 Fri "Movies that Matter the Most," Emmy Lou Cholak, 7-10 PM
- 30 Sun** **"Justice Sunday, the Cost of Iraq," Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.**
- 30 Sun Buddhist Sitting Group, Fleda Brown, 5-6:30 PM