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Services in July

Worship Service at 10:30am. Child minding is available during services *for children ages one and up* in the Sunflower Room.

July 1 A New Normal
Rev. Shana Lynngood and
Welcoming & Celebrating Diversity Committee

For our annual Pride service we will look at our notions of normalcy. What does it mean to be "normal" and who gets to define what normal is? What assumptions do we make about one another? What gets in the way of us fully seeing and understanding one another across differences of sexual orientation and gender identity?

July 8 Musical Blessings
Marnie Lamb and the Bedside Singers

In 2006, Marnie Lamb was co-founder of the first Bedside Singers program in a Canadian Hospice to add the gift of singing voices to end of life care. Using words, interwoven with simple songs and blessings, this service will give the flavour of a bedside singing experience and illustrate how music is used to comfort patients and their families. Bedside Singers, Barbara Boyle and Suellen Guenther, will assist Marnie.

July 15 Social Entrepreneurs: Hakuna Matata Imports and Accessories
Jacqueline McAdam

Music: Gary Theal, jazz guitarist

The foundation of the social entrepreneur movement resonates with many of the principles of Unitarianism. This presentation provides examples of this growing movement, links these to principles of Unitarianism, and provides a case study example of a new business that is being started by one of our church members. Hakuna Matata Imports and Accessories has evolved out of Jacqueline's experience of working and living in Africa, her love of Africa, and desire to address global inequalities. After the service Hakuna Matata Imports and Accessories will have a display table of items for sale (15% of the sales will go to the church), and Jacqueline will be available for further questions.

July 22 The Urge to Help: What stimulates it? Can it lead one astray?
Jim Hackler

Providing help is not always simple. How much effort do we make to understand the consequences of our charitable efforts? This homily will look at some of the dynamics, impacts and potential problems connected with different strategies for helping others.

July 29 Our Work in the Wider Community—A Celebration
Lisa Greenly

Music: Farrell Boyce & Bob de Wolff

Our church community lives its principles in a variety of ways and on this day we will share stories of how our principles in action have had a positive impact. Please join us as we take time out to celebrate what we have done and what we are doing.

There will be a pancake breakfast starting at 8:30am.
Breakfast is by donation as a fundraiser for HOW 2012.

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The deadline for submissions to the **August** issue of the newsletter is **July 17**.

CELEBRATING SUMMER

The Chant for the Seasons (hymn # 73) reminds us that "*Vernal clouds have turned the starwheel, summer is upon us.*" Throughout the summer months, from June 24 through to September 2, child minding is available during the service for children ages 1 and up. Older children are welcome as helpers. If you prefer, families are welcome to stay in the sanctuary or enjoy it in the Lion Hall, with fewer worries about making noise.

On the "*hot and yellow hillsides*" of summer, or while listening to the crickets and their "*moonlit music*," I encourage you to converse with your children about the past year of Spiritual Exploration and Learning.

Children in the Primary Group might remind you to watch for "Intangible Gifts." Perhaps they'll entice you to smell a rose, offer a

gift to someone you don't know or hold Grandpa's hand. The Intermediate kids might tell you about red giant or blue dwarf stars as you're out stargazing, or when you walk on a rocky slope, perhaps they'll remind you that we're related to lizards.

Junior Youth might encourage you to learn about the Jewish *Fast of Tish'a B'Av* on July 29 or to watch for the crescent moons that mark the beginning and end of *Ramadan* in mid-July and mid-August. On the other hand, perhaps they'll be busy practising a new communication skill or telling you something about gender identity learned in their OWL classes.

You might find a string of prayer beads in pockets of your yU*Uth Group participant; or perhaps you'll hear them rehears-

ing a song or skit for the next coffee house. Wee Care kids might insist on coming to see our child-minder Kiko one last time before she leaves in late August, after three years of much appreciated service.

On Homecoming Sunday (September 9), when the Spiritual Exploration and Learning Program for Children and Youth resumes, we'll want to hear how the summer days went for each and every one, and so we'll begin our year together with special Water-Communion gatherings. All children and youth are invited to bring water from a place they enjoyed this past summer and share the story of it with their group. It's a lovely way to come back together... just before "*summertime turns the starwheel*" yet again.

With warm wishes for inspirational summer days, Faye

Our New Member: Suzanne Beauchamp



I decided to become a church member because I wish to proclaim to the congregation and the larger community that I share the values of this UU church.

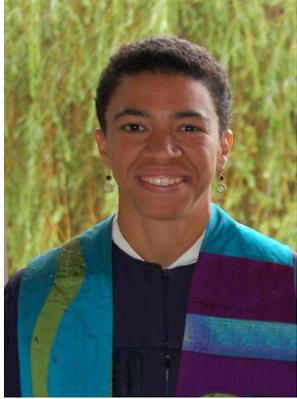
The friendliness and caring of this church is overwhelming. It is a warm and comforting place for me. I love my Neighborhood Group, the Circle Dinners, listening to the choir, and most especially singing with the Jammers Choir.

The most precious gift I have received from being a UU is my husband Ross whom I met when I was giving an interactive talk on Mother's Day in a Toronto congregation.

I have a Master's degree in Social Work and spent many years working as a Family Therapist in children's mental health.

Sources of Inspiration

Over the Victoria Day long weekend, nine members of our FUCV community joined 250 Canadian Unitarians for a Symposium on Spiritual Leadership. These events are always fascinating and usually inspiring for me. To be in the good company of so many others striving as we do to have their congregations be vibrant, engaged communities of spiritual growth. (As a side



note, I am hoping to convince many of you to come to Portland, Oregon in June 2015 to experience the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association which promises to bring together nearly 4,000 UUs from across the continent.) I spent a great deal of time working with 12 others to create the programming for the weekend and preached the Sunday morning sermon. By the time I left Ottawa, I was exhausted and exhilarated. Much is possible when we work together. Perhaps more than we often imagine. A

relatively new member of our congregation, Linda Nicholson-Brown, came to Ottawa and participated in the workshop stream that I led with 2 colleagues—Self as Source. It was an examination of the resources and talents, skills and gifts we each have to offer. What is the Source from which I draw in my life? How do I feel when I find myself disconnected from that Source? How do I work my way back into connection with the

Source after a time of alienation? I will be leading a two-part course based on the Self as Source workshop when we return from maternity/parental leave.

Linda helped share some of the richness of the conversation we had in our workshop of 45 participants with the whole Symposium via a meditation she composed. Here are her words:

“I’d like to guide you through a meditative exercise toward a return to your own source. Please be comfortable. Close your eyes if you’d like. First acknowledge the

struggles, all the things that get in the way of your feeling at home. Now let them go, allowing an emptiness, a lightness in your heart. Remember those who’ve gone before you. The ancestors who’ve helped place you where you are. Their strengths and their creativity. Now add the experiences from your life that have made you stronger (the sufferings, the relationships, the rebellions, the loves). Embrace your own joyous life experience and as we did in our stream the self as source, hear what is calling your name.”

It is such a gift to serve as one of your ministers. I will miss you all while we are on our summer study leave and then maternity leave. You will hear from us about Baby Lynngood’s arrival and health. I look forward to seeing all of you when our whole family comes to visit for Generosity (Canvass) Sunday on October 14th. Until then I will carry you in my heart. Have a wonderfully refreshing and renewing summer. May the Source be present with you in abundance.

With deep appreciation and affection,

Rev. Shana

Accommodation Wanted for Visiting Ministers

Wanted: Accommodation for the visiting ministers who will be preaching while Rev. Shana and Rev. Melora are off on maternity leave. Will you be out of town during any of these dates? Would you mind letting our visiting ministers live in your home for two nights over a weekend? Dates: September 16, September 30; October 7, October 21; November 4, November 18.

Please reply to worship@victoriaunitarian.ca

It's the time of year when we show our colours of pride in and support of our GLBTQ community, and your Welcoming and Celebrating Diversity Committee (WCDC) has been working hard, getting ready for this year's festivities!

First off the bat (pun intended!) is the *First Annual Pride Kickoff Potluck Barbecue, Picnic, And Ball Game*, on Saturday, June 30th, from 4:00 to 7:00pm at the church. This will be an all-ages, kid-friendly event. There's not room on our field to play softball, but maybe we can work up a game of whiffle softball or kickball for those so inclined! Please bring something to barbecue for yourself and something to share with others, as well as your knee brace and sense of adventure! This event will go on rain or shine. (We have booked the Lion Hall, in case we need to retreat inside.) For more information or to coordinate potluck offerings, get in touch with Nellie at nellyavan@yahoo.ca or 778-426-0300.

What to wear, what to wear? Show your colours with a *beautiful FUCV Pride T-shirt!* These were a big hit last year, so get yours before they're all gone! The shirts will be available at the Picnic (we hope!), and following the Pride Service on July 1st. They will follow the same design as last year, and are fair-trade cotton available

in unisex S, M, L, XL, and XXL in blue, purple, yellow, red, or lime green. We hope to have some kids sizes available this year, too! Cost is \$15 each.

The highlight of our FUCV Pride celebrations, *the annual FUCV Pride Service*, will be held on Sunday, July 1st, at 10:30am. The Reverend Shana will be speaking on the topic of "A New Normal." There will also be a repeat presentation of Amy Anderson's Yuuth Coffee House hit, "Coming Out Straight," as well as special guests! You don't want to miss it!

And how do we best show our colours at Pride? With our giant rainbow banner, of course! The *Pride Parade and Festival* takes place on Sunday, July 8, leaving Pandora and Government at 12 noon (time to get there from church if you forego coffee!).

This is a fun and festive event that everyone is welcome to join—and we need your help, as it takes many hands to carry one of the longest rainbow banners in Canada. We like to sing and chant as we go (the favourite being, "2-4-6-8, all these tourists can't be straight!"), and it's exciting to be a part of this celebration of all the colours of life. Victoria comes out in droves to cheer on the parade, and this is an opportunity for Unitarians to greet them all.

The parade route takes us to MacDonald Park, at the corner of Simcoe and Oswego in James Bay, where there will be an afternoon of festivities, including music, food, and a Unitarian table, where you can chat and refresh yourself with one of Marya's famous chalice shortbread cookies. Hope to see you at this great family event!

In other news, we are welcoming new members to our FUCV Welcoming and Celebrating Diversity Committee (which, for those of you who care about such things, is in the process of being reconfigured as a sub-committee of the Social Responsibility Committee of the FUCV, rather than a stand-alone committee). Anyone who has some energy and enthusiasm for LGBT or other diversity issues is encouraged to get in touch with our WCDC chairs, Karen Lee Pickett or Lisa Hitch (klp@kaleepi.com or l_a_hitch@yahoo.com) and make yourself known. Also please let us know if you have ideas for LGBT activities for next fall (but be careful...those who suggest something are apt to be recruited to do it!).

Happy Pride, everyone!
REMINDER: July and August services begin one half-hour earlier. So please note that *the Pride Service begins at 10am!*



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, July 29th, starting at 8:30am

Join us for pancakes, fruit, juice and sausages.
Breakfast is by donation with all proceeds going to the HOW 2012 project.



Beacon Community Services

Dear First Unitarian Volunteers,

Out of the Rain is a community capacity building program that is reliant on volunteers to continue to provide our valuable service to the homeless youth of Victoria. As volunteers with Out of the Rain, the difference you have made in the program and in the lives of the youth is tangible and appreciated.

One of the youth expressed it best, "It is people like you who help take the hurt away, thank you for your selflessness and unbiased acceptance". It is so valuable for the youth to the knowledge that the community cares. It allows them to move from feeling ostracized and alone to being a member of the community.

Out of the Rain is so grateful for the support of the congregation with donations and meals.

The socks, toques and hats were well received in the colder months. Keeping the feet of the youth clean and dry is vital and difficult as they have no means to wash their clothing. The socks made a huge difference in their health and wellbeing.

Christmas was a joy with the toque stockings created for the youth! It is so wonderful to find the youth glowing as they know that they are not forgotten.

The meals were amazing. On Sunday nights the youth were excited about the meal and eager to arrive and eat. The portions were perfect and allowed us to the opportunity to feed all that requested food and never run out of food. The quality of food was unsurpassed... Thank you! It is a blessing to see the youth asleep and content with full bellies!

Sincerely,



Jenn Mortimer
3rd Party Liaison
Beacon Community Services
Phone: 250-896-9787

A thank you card from the youth can be found on the SRC notice board in the Farmhouse Hallway.

Cheers, Lisa

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Do you have a friend in need ... of a ceremony?
A wedding, child dedication or memorial? Tell them about FUCV's

Lay Chaplains

It's what we do!

Despite the claims of Monsanto and other corporations which patent and sell seeds of genetically modified (GM) plants and herbicides to which they are resistant, safety of foods from these plants have never been established. Moreover, they damage the environment, and diminish the sustainability of the food supply.

The genetic modifications of plant genomes by randomly inserting genes have effects on the functions of the rest of the genome that have never been evaluated. The consequences for the safety of the foods from these plants has never been tested with multi-generation studies of effects on development, growth, fertility and genetic stability. The tests of

safety were about the nutritional content of GM food.

Already, weeds resistant to the herbicides to which GM plants are resistant and insects resistant to the toxic insecticide present in corn occur in nature. The result is greater exposure to herbicides and new, unproven GM crops. The cultivation of GM plants precludes seed saving and risks contaminating nearby organic crops. It requires large scale, industrial farming with heavy use of fertilizers and herbicides applied to crop monocultures. Industrial farming is dependent on fossil fuels to run machinery, make fertilizer, and process and transport food.

Long term cultivation of GM crops destroys the capacity of land to produce food, reducing

food sustainability. Organic farming with the practice of composting, crop rotation and multiple plants in cultivation is more productive, better for the environment, and better at preserving food-growing capacity of the land.

A question for Monsanto, its lobbyists, and the politicians who receive their financial support is, 'Why, if GM crops are so safe and good, are they determined to prevent labeling of food from GM plants?' They have no honest answer.

Watch a wonderful movie, Home, about Earth, its promise and its devastation: : <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jqxENMKaeCU>

Giant Book Sale

Want a few books on your shelves that don't have a due date? Want to read something without worrying about the battery dying?

Libraries are wonderful places and electronic readers contain whole libraries, but sometimes you just want a book you can spill food on, crunch in a beach bag, or read outside when the forecast is for scattered showers.

Those are the kind of books you will find at our Giant Book Sale.

Saturday, September 29, 2011. 9:00am–3:00pm.

If you want to donate your books now, please contact Peter Hancock, at pdhancock@shaw.ca, 250-477-1310, or bring them to his home at 5510 Forest Hill Road and leave them by the sheltered entrance, if no one is home. If you bring them to the church, please let Peter know where you have put them.

Please do not donate textbooks, encyclopaedias, Reader's Digest Condensed books, computer books, or magazines. They don't sell and we have to haul them to recycling.

Thank You...

to all the members who made the Gardening Sale a success.

Thank you, to Dee Heston, Keith Jobson, Brad Clarke, Jim Jordan, Ruth Chudley, Chris Cook and Shirley Travis and all the other folk who brought plants and bought them, also to my non-gardening husband John Tibbles who helped me all day. We made over \$300 towards our goal and I hope when you happily munch on a Unitarian tomato or look at a plant which fills a gap in the flower bed you will remember what fun it was.

Yours sincerely, Val Roberts

Water Communion Service

We will have a Water Communion Service on August 26. You are invited to bring a sample of water representing a significant spiritual experience that you have had this summer. We will pour this water into a common vessel and blend our seeking spirits. Please prepare to tell us about your experience in one sentence.



Resources for Congregation During Ministers' Parental Leave

Feel free to tear off this sheet (or print it out if you are reading this on your computer) and post it on your fridge or by your phone.

As was mentioned in the June newsletter, after their summer study leave/ vacation (beginning July 2), our ministers, Revs. Shana and Melora Lynngood, are taking 16 weeks of parental leave (August 14–December 3). They will return to their regular full-time co-ministry (1/2 time each) on Tuesday, December 4th, 2012. While our ministers are away, our congregation will have both ongoing resources and special supplemental resources to support our continuing shared ministry.

A full listing of those resources will be distributed in church on September 9th and 16th, and will be published in the September Newsletter. For now, to get us through the summer, here is information on the oversight group (the committee on ministry), rites of passage (weddings, memorials), and pastoral resources.

While our ministers are away, and every day, let us take care of one another, and, as our mission says, “strive to transform ourselves and our world through compassionate action.”

Resources for Congregation Continued...

Oversight		
Committee on Ministry , ongoing function	Stays attuned to congregational health; supports the optimum functioning of the professional ministry	Don Armstrong, co-chair 250-220-2240 armstrongdon@shaw.ca Dave Andersen, co-chair 250-479-1499 david.andersen@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca Martha McDougall 250-744-1541 Martha.McDougall@broadmeadcare.com
Parental Leave Team (Committee on Ministry plus former president) July 2 – Dec. 3	Answers and refers to the proper resource queries about issues or concerns you would normally take to a minister (i.e., When you don't know who to call, call these folks, and they will help.)	Earle Anthony 250-592-4831 earleanthony@shaw.ca Joyce Murphy 250-598-1506 joymur@shaw.ca Sonya Ignatieff 250-380-4015 sonyaignatieff@shaw.ca <i>Parental Leave Team includes Former President:</i> Suellen Guenther 250-727-0454 sguenther@shaw.ca

Rites of Passage		
Lay Chaplains , ongoing function	Rites of passage for Non-Members / Friends (fee)	Joyce Murphy, Liz Graham, Fran Pardee laychaplains@victoriaunitarian.ca
Lay Chaplains filling in for Ministers, July 2 – Dec. 3, 2012	Rites of passage for Members and Friends (no fee; church pays chaplain)	

Pastoral Care, Practical		
Care and Concern on-going function	Organized through Neighbourhood Groups; provides practical support with a caring spirit (casseroles, cards, visits). Each Neighbourhood Group has a Care & Concern contact person and a Care & Concern Liaison	Daphne Dunbar, Chair 250-381-7648 d.dunbar@shaw.ca
<i>Neighbourhood Group</i>	Care and Concern Contact	Care & Concern Liaison
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Royal Oak West	Dolores Appleton 250-658-0855 Donna Greenberg 250-727-6793	
Gordon Head	Mary Cramer 250-477-1615	Ross Beauchamp 778-433-2829 beau77w@yahoo.com
Cadboro Bay	Valerie (Tibbles) Roberts 250-477-7192	
Royal Oak East	Elaine Dakin 250-744-1357	
Grand Central	open	Suzanne Dearman 250-592-4835
Oak Bay	Mike Graham 250-384-4351	
Fairfield	Pauline Kenneally 250-388-6865	
Western	Emily Whitney 250-642-5546	Barbara Boyle 250-381-0264 barbara.boyle@shaw.ca
Esquimalt	Senga Stirling 250-383-5007	
James Bay	Nanw Cariad 250-383-0908	

Pastoral Care, Emotional	
Pastoral Care Crisis Team July 2 – Dec. 3	An empathetic presence to accompany people through crisis; emotional support rather than practical support. Choose any of the following, or call a co-leader and she will connect you with an available team member.
Clare Vipond, co-leader	(250) 652-5491 donandclare@shaw.ca
Pam Harte, co-leader	(250) 656-4893 plharte@islandnet.com
Laura Doyle	(778) 426-0300 luradoyle@shaw.ca
Don Vipond	(250) 652-5491 donandclare@shaw.ca
Tracy Taylor	(250) 380-6824 tracyschultz@yahoo.com
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Jan Thomson	(250) 480-1462 aurora2u@shaw.ca



Becoming a Lay Chaplain

On behalf of our church, the Lay Chaplaincy Committee is recruiting two new Lay Chaplains to assume the role when the terms of two of the current Lay Chaplains (Fran and Joyce) end. The work of a Lay Chaplain is to co-create ceremonies, including child dedications, marriages, memorials and other rites of passage to mark life's significant events. We are seeking men and women who are: members of our congregation; have a solid working knowledge of Unitarianism; good judgment and communication skills; compassion and empathy; and a willingness to participate in a training program prior to appointment, as well as ongoing training as a Lay Chaplain. Typically the term of a Lay Chaplain is for six years.



Prior to appointment as a Lay Chaplain there is a one-year period of mentorship and training. It is hoped that one Lay Chaplain in Training would begin in January 2013, and the other in August 2013.

Weddings are the most common ceremonies conducted by Lay Chaplains and take place primarily on summer weekends. Availability during that time is important, but with three Lay Chaplains at FUCV to share the workload, it is possible to have some time away. Lay Chaplains receive a fee for their services, but the honoraria is not intended to be a primary source of income.

A Basic Lay Chaplaincy training is being offered in Nanaimo, October 19 – 21, and anyone considering the position is strongly encouraged to attend. It will give them an excellent sense of what is entailed in the role. Following that weekend, people who would like to be considered for the position must complete an Expression of Interest form, available in the Lay Chaplaincy box in the office. Please leave the completed form in a sealed envelop in the same box.

Deadline for completion of the form is Sunday, October 28. Interviews with interested candidates will take place in November.

If you are interested in knowing more about the role, please speak with one of our current Lay Chaplains: Fran Pardee, Joyce Murphy, or Liz Graham.

Are you a Runner or Walker?

We're looking for people to join the USC Run for Biodiversity team as part of the Goodlife Fitness Victoria marathon, half marathon, 8 km, or kids marathon on Sunday, October 8th,

If you'd like to support USC's work with seed-saving farmers by running or walking, or by being a volunteer at the event itself, contact the local team Captain Mike Greenly at mikegreenly@shaw.ca or 250 655 3663.

Help us run Wild for Food and Farmers!
www.usc-canada.org/run-for-biodiversity/victoria/



Running WILD for Food and Farmers!

Cadboro Bay: Members of this group, including convenor Val Roberts, assisted with the reception for Chris and Shirley's wedding on May 19. This has been a busy time for Val, traveling with John to the Panama Canal with four other Unitarians, organizing the church plant sale, and then hosting the Mexican dinner they offered for the Services Auction. NG member, Mary Hummel, had been in hospital, but was able to join the dinner.

Esquimalt: Barbara Boyle, who hosted the NG in the amenity room in Cedar Shores on June 3, writes, "We had a small group in attendance for our Neighbourhood Group potluck last Sunday afternoon. Those attending enjoyed a relaxed opportunity to visit and catch up with our neighbourhood news. We opted to sit inside as the breeze along the water made it a little chilly for sitting outside. A selection of treats was wrapped and hand-delivered to Senga following clean-up." This is a lovely example of the Care & Concern network in action, following a NG gathering.

Fairfield: Herb Girard writes, "Fairfield had the pleasure of working with the Far Out Neighbourhood Group on last month's Souper Sunday. Our combined group of sixteen volunteers served about 100 people and raised \$531.62. Thanks to all one hundred and sixteen!" Personally, I loved being able to browse the plant sale that day and follow it with a delicious bowl of soup. The church is humming with things to do some Sundays.

Fairfield plans to gather again on June 17 from 2:00-4:00pm for a finger food potluck at Linda Stanton's and they are pleased to welcome Michael and Ethelyn Rankin into their group.

Far Out: In addition to working on the Souper Lunch in May with Fairfield, Far Out will be gathering at Sandra and Jim Jordan's on June 22 at 6:00 for a potluck.

Grand Central: Linda Nicholson-Brown reports that a person new to our church, Lynn Merryfeather, is in their NG and they hope to schedule an outdoor get-together when summer weather finally arrives. We are all getting used to the new name for this group.

James Bay: Pat Kinrade reports that this group will gather for an evening potluck at Don Armstrong's and Lynn Hunter's on July 4. If they have any American-born members in their group, this event is perfectly timed! James Bay will also be our dedicated bakers for coffee time in the month of July.

Nearby: This group may gather for a barbecue in the Lion Hall in July, but no date has been set.

Oak Bay: Next up for Oak Bay will be a potluck on June 30 at Jen & Lance Young's.

Royal Oak East: Members of this group are looking forward to their potluck in the meeting room at the complex where Helen and Thane Waldie live. They will have a great view of Rithet's Bog, a protected bird sanctuary and wetlands. Thane is the new Vice President of our church.

Royal Oak West: This group lost long-time church member, Marjorie Mader, in May and a few members of the group assisted with her Memorial Tea. Convenor, Fran Hancock, writes, "The Memorial Service for Marjorie Mader was led by Rev. Shana on June 6. A group of thirty five friends and relatives shared some very touching and humorous memories of Marjorie and were appreciative of her independent spirit, inquisitive mind and the warmth and care that she extended to dogs, horses and, in particular, cats. A special thanks to Marya Nijland and Philip Symons, long time friends of Marjorie's, who organized the event and to Rev. Shana who made visitors feel so welcome."

Western: This group will gather for a potluck on June 23 at Emily and Stu Whitney's. They meet nearly every month, except in the summer and December.

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Events Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location
7/1	10:30am to 11:30am	Sunday Service	
7/2	Canada Day holiday (church office closed)		
7/6	7:15pm to 9:30pm	Mindful Yarning	Offsite location
7/8	10:30am to 11:30am	Sunday Service	
7/9	7:00pm to 9:00pm	Awakening Joy Support Group	Lion Hall
7/10	1:00pm to 3:00pm	Book Worms Group	Offsite location
	1:30pm to 4:00pm	Food Prep for Sandy Merriman House	Kitchen Sanctuary
7/15	10:30am to 11:30am	Sunday Service	
7/17	2:30pm to 4:30pm	Worship Committee	Library
7/18	1:00pm to 3:00pm	Care & Concern committee meeting	Library
	1:00pm to 3:00pm	Finance meeting	Library
7/20	7:15pm to 9:30pm	Mindful Yarning	Offsite location
7/22	10:30am to 11:30am	Sunday Service	
7/24	1:00pm to 3:00pm	Book Worms	Offsite location
7/29	8:00am to 10:30pm	HOW Pancake Breakfast	Kitchen
	10:30am to 11:30am	Sunday Service	

Unitarian Church of Calgary
Position: Director of Religious Education (DRE)
(Permanent, Part-time)

Applications are now being accepted for the position. Under the supervision of our Minister, the Rev. Debra Faulk, the DRE will provide professional leadership to the Children & Youth Religious Education Programs of this dynamic, liberal church. This is a permanent half-time position, commencing in August 2012.

Working Conditions and Schedule:

- The DRE is employed 20 hours/week, with flexibility in specific hours worked. Actual hours of service per week are to be adjusted to reflect the seasonal variations in intensity of activity at the church.
- Regular office hours will be kept covering at least six hours/week, on weekdays, plus regular Sunday morning hours.
- The DRE is to be on duty, on-site, Sundays within the September-June period each year, except for an average of one Sunday off per month. Sundays spent at denominational events are considered working Sundays.

Requirements:

- Strong interpersonal skills—ability to work well with people of all ages, ethnicities, races, sexual orientations, and family structures, and comfortable with a wide variety of religious views.
- Experience in recruiting, supporting, and working with volunteers.
- Strong oral and written communications skills—comfort in public speaking is an asset.
- Strong organizational skills, creativity, energy, enthusiasm and ability to take initiative.
- Experience in religious education.
- Supportive of the religious values of Unitarian Universalism—should either be familiar with Unitarian Universalism and its religious education philosophy and curricula or be willing to learn.
- Knowledge of education principles and practices.
- Experience with children and expertise in behavior management.
- Background in teaching, human services, social justice or related field.

Salary: \$21,000 per year (including one-month paid vacation), paid semi-monthly, plus benefits.

For a full position description and more information about our church, please contact the Rev. Debra Faulk at 403-230-8938 or debra@unitarianscalgary.org. We also encourage you to visit our church website: www.unitarianscalgary.org.

Please send a letter of interest and résumé to: dresearch@unitarianscalgary.org or mail or deliver to the Unitarian Church of Calgary, 1703 - 1st Street NW, Calgary, AB, T2M 4P4.

Deadline: Interviews will begin after June 22, 2012.

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- 1 Lisa Greenly, Hanny Pannekoek
- 2 Nadia Engelstoft
- 3 Ian Dillistone
- 5 Mildred Girard
- 6 Ian MacPherson
- 8 Nate Harris
- 10 Mary Cramer, John Worton, Nan Fairchild
- 11 Cody Walker
- 12 Myra Rippon
- 13 Judy Gaylord
- 14 Don Hinz
- 15 Farrell Boyce, Suellen Guenther
- 16 Jim Black
- 17 Al Hoffman, Thomas Ovanin
- 18 Marg Rose
- 22 Sheri Tromp, Rex Thomson
- 24 Wilma Neilson, Danielle Rousseau
- 26 Don Vipond, Joan Bennett
- 29 Cherry Brown, Dave Maxwell
- 30 Kisha Bramadat Chesterman, Janice Hlady
- 31 Katherine DeMille

