

THE OBERLIN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP - ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME, VISITORS!

We're glad you've joined us and invite you to sign the guest book

<p>MAY 13TH 10:00AM</p>	<p>HONORING OUR MOTHERS, Barbara Fuchsman, CLL, service leader. Mothers' Day is a time to honor our own mothers, and also a time to honor our foremothers, people who built the road we are following and rebuilding anew. In this service, we will explore many meanings of Mothers' Day.</p>
<p>MAY 20TH 10:00AM</p> <p>POTLUCK, WORKSHOP</p>	<p>THE FLOWER CELEBRATION, Rev. Mary Grigolia, Service Leader. We celebrate the Flower Communion to encourage one another to have faith in Life, especially at times of transition. You are invited to bring a flower to the service. Together we create a bouquet of community. At the end of the service, we each take home a different flower and the blessing of community.</p>
<p>MAY 27TH 10:00AM</p>	<p>THE TIME TRAVELER'S JOURNEY, Middle School RE Class, service leaders. A Time Traveler appears expecting The Supreme Being to take him on a personal tour of Earth over the millennium. Trouble is, there's no agreement on who that Supreme Being is or even should be! Join the search for truth and meaning with Ella, Noah, Matt and Maya.</p>

BUILDING (VERB) Using as a basis for further progress or development.

YOUR DONATIONS TODAY, will be collected for the benefit of the Lorain County Rape Crisis Center, which offers a safe place where women can feel secure, talk to an advocate, learn to trust again, work toward recovery and become a SURVIVOR. A 24-hour, 7-day a week hotline is run where calls are answered by members of a specially trained crisis team. As always, should you be making a pledge payment, make sure your check or envelope is clearly marked for OUUC.

HAVE YOU MADE A PLEDGE YET? Remember, while our budget is informed by our goals and desires, it is determined by the combined resources you all tell us you're offering the Fellowship for next year. Please return your pledge forms and comments to us soon! Stewardship Committee members Jo Huber, Stephanie Gibson, and Cal Frye will collect your pledges at any time.

YOUUTH meet Sundays at noon, at 181 W. College St. Contact ldmoore@oberlin.net for details

Tune into **WOBC 91.5 FM, "CONNECTIONS"** this coming Monday at 4:00 p.m. for UU Talk!

MEET AND EAT - Informal sharing builds a sense of community. UUs gather to break bread together. Next lunch date is Thursday, May 17, 12:30 p.m. at Magpie Pizza, 65 E. College St., Oberlin. Check with Barbara Fuchsman for more details. All are welcome!

Thu, May 24 - **UU HUMANIST VISIONS**, at 3:30 pm at Virginia Erdy's cottage, Kendal.

MIDDAY MEDITATION - Support one another in cultivating spaciousness by dropping into the Green Room at Kendal on Tuesdays for 30 minutes of meditation, 12:30-1 p.m. (Rev. Mary Grigolia will provide minimal, spoken guidance.) You are welcome to come a little earlier and to stay for a brief sharing of what's coming up in the silence.

OBERLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Monday, May 14, 10a.m. to noon - "**Wild Edibles and Medicinals--A Walk to Remember**". This informative presentation, featuring local gardeners and foragers, Ed Phillips and Jennie Baumann, will be followed by a "walk about" to identify edibles and medicinals in the Oberlin community. Wear comfortable shoes.

The deadline for announcements is Thursday noon. Email to Cal Frye at editor@ouuf.org

WHEN FRACKING HITS LORAIN COUNTY! will be the topic at a community meeting sponsored by Oberlin College Students for Environmental Sustainability at 7 p.m. Tuesday May 15 at the Oberlin Public Library. The controversial process of hydrofracturing for natural gas is impacting our area. The meeting will focus on relevant state and federal regulations, such as zoning and consumer protection laws. Eric Belcastro, Western PA Community Organizer for the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund, will speak. A question and answer period will follow.

Music lovers and **FRIENDS OF URBAN HOPE** will want to save Saturday, May 19, for the third annual fundraiser of Urban Hope UU Community located on the near West Side of Cleveland. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. for socializing and refreshments in a casual coffee house atmosphere. The musical program begins at 7:15 p.m. Some of the area's best-know UU musicians and friends of Urban Hope have agreed to perform, including Marge Adler, Ellen Hansen-Ellis, Mary Grigolia, and Pam Wetula. The event has been popular every year and offers an evening of fun for all ages.

Southwest UU church will host the event this year, and the chance to see their recently acquired and renovated home is one more reason to attend. The church is located at 6320 Royalton Road, North Royalton (look for the white steeple). Parking is available adjacent to the church and in the Key Bank parking lot just west of the church. Tickets are \$10 advance; \$12 at the door; \$5 child, and \$25 family maximum. For advance tickets, contact Anne Osborne, 440-617-9000 or osborne815@yahoo.com.

UU KENDAL GATHERING

The Kendal at Oberlin UU Community opens its doors for monthly explorations of moral and religious issues every third Wednesday of the month. Our topic for May is:

In the beginning there was light: a scientist's perspective on the beginning (and end) of the universe.
Chris Martin, guest speaker

The line between science and religion has always been blurry, but now modern science has blurred it further in an attempt to explain the very genesis of our universe. The evidence in the sky above us allows modern-day cosmologists to explain the history of our universe from beginning to end, but what do they know, what are they guessing at, and what is still out there yet to be discovered. Come find out!

Reading: The Wikipedia page on Cosmology: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cosmology>

Dr. Martin is an associate professor of physics and astronomy at Oberlin College where his research interests include studying the Milky Way galaxy using radio astronomy from ground and space-based telescopes as well as remote sensing of the Earth's mesosphere.

Wednesday, May 16, 4:15 pm, Auditorium, Kendal at Oberlin, Heiser Center. All are welcome!

WHO SAYS?

Buying a building raises questions we've never looked at before: From global questions like, "How do we decide how we use the space?" To concrete questions like, "What color chairs will we buy?"

We have different assumptions about when we get to vote as a congregation, and when decisions can be made by a team or by the Board. In this mini-workshop we will look at as many of the decisions as possible and explore the differing assumptions about who gets to decide in each case - a team, the Board, the congregation? Our hope is to identify issues where we disagree and decide how to proceed. When: Sunday, May 20th, after service and a potluck lunch.