



# The Community News

July 2019

## OUR VISION

*We will become a dynamic and nurturing religious community that celebrates our human diversity, supports lifelong spiritual growth, and acts for compassion and justice in the larger community.*

## Put your talents to use at CUUC

During the recent stewardship drive, we spent a great deal of time discussing treasure- our financial contributions that keep CUUC alive and well. Many of us give our time to the church in multiple meaningful ways, beyond Sunday services. But what about that third T-word, talent? If you have yet to plug into activities at church, or are looking for a change of pace, take a moment to consider what you love to do and what you're good at doing. There's no talent too small or too humble to be helpful to our church community, so don't be limited by what first comes to mind when you think "talent." It's more than meets the eye!

If you've never met a stranger and enjoy conversation, there's no end of possibilities. Be one of our greeters, membership representatives, or ushers. Volunteer to moderate church chats after services. Join the Membership Committee, or consider the Leadership Development Committee- if you have an eye for spotting talent and potential in others, you can be part of the team that encourages and enables future leaders. If your favorite people tend to be younger people, the RE program would love to hear from potential advisors, teachers, and helpers.

Are you most at home with technology or data? Have a head for numbers? Opportunities abound here as well. There's lots to do involving the church website, keeping our hardware and equipment in good working order, and running the sound booth. The Finance and Investment Committees always appreciate interested volunteers, and you wouldn't believe (or maybe you would!) how many spreadsheets are involved in supporting various church functions and events. If you've a flair for organizing, reach out to us!

Maybe you're a hands-on sort of person? The Maintenance Committee works diligently to keep our facilities clean and safe- help is always appreciated, whether it's an Odds 'n Ends Saturday or any other day! It's not just the building itself, but the lawn, gardens, and grounds that need upkeep. The Community Garden, hospitality hour, and usher team all offer ways to hustle while you help out, and there are special events like the Balloon Festival or Rummage Sale during the year that'll put some mileage on your shoes.

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Sunday Services

Theme - Bridges

July 7 - "A Bridge Over Troubled Water: Status of the fight for Immigration Rights in 2019" Guest Speaker - Bill Holston

July 14 - "Housing for the Elderly Poor" - Guest Speaker Lee Anne Hubanks, President of Plano Community Homes with locations in Plano & Denton, TX

July 21 - Book Sunday

July 28 - Guest Speaker - Aija Duelm, CUUC Consulting DRE

Typical Sunday

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.: Worship, Religious Education for Children and Youth, and Nursery

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### **From front page: Put your talents to use at CUUC**

If the creative arts are where you shine, we need your light too! Photographers, artists, graphic designers, painters, writers, speakers, poets, musicians, singers- your efforts enhance so much of our life at CUUC, whether it's making a Sunday service extra special, adding some eye appeal to our space, or helping promote church events and happenings.

It can't be overstated how many talented hands, minds, and hearts it takes to keep CUUC thriving and growing, and how valuable each of our contributions may be... no matter how small they may seem in the moment. If you'd like to get more involved, or switch up your current church routine, ask anyone in church leadership- they'll be glad to be your talent agent and get you connected. **Alyssa Church**

**Our Share The Plate offering for July is God's Food Pantry.** God's Pantry supports the needy in our East Plano Community by offering food and support to everyone who comes to their door. They are the only food pantry in Collin County open to everyone without restrictions or conditions. First established in 1997, their volume of clients grows every year. Our Community Garden donates from their harvest every Saturday and we have a dedicated fund that helps with their utility bills, but cash donations for their modest overhead are always in short supply and our support is appreciated. **Share the Plate Sunday is July 28.**

### **June Board of Trustee Highlights**

Kimberly Schramm took over as the new Board President.

The Board approved exceptions to policy to allow Jack Dorman to drive himself to GA as a youth representative.

Brennan Hadden clarified the cycle of RE funding and what were considered program expenses versus those that require additional fundraising.

The Board discussed plans for communicating with the youth and parents and the congregation at large regarding the recent events.

The new website will be live September 1.

## President's Column

I'm completing my first month as President of the Board just as summer is officially here.

Traditionally, Unitarian Universalist churches schedule guest speakers during the summer months. I'm looking forward to the variety of speakers and programs in the weeks ahead.

Our search for a new minister continues as does this time of visioning a future that we will create together. In addition to seeking a new minister, we are seeking a new Membership Coordinator.

What is your vision for the future of our Church? What time and talents to you have to share that will make that vision a reality in the world?

Blessings,

**Kimberly Schramm**

The summer is filled with new adventures for many and some of the same adventures from previous years. These adventures offer us great opportunities to ask questions about our faith and practice our UU values. Our children and youth are examining their theological and ethical values during Religious Education classes on Sundays, however, even small adventures, like a trip to the park offers opportunities for them to integrate and strengthen their learning. While exploring a trail in the park, you might ask your child about how they value the earth? You might put UU values into action, for example, pickup trash while you are at the park. This might seem like a small gesture, but it lets your child know you care about their values. It also helps them to understand how they can put their UU values into action. On bigger adventures, perhaps a trip to our family, you might talk with your child about the 6 UU sources. This could help them in talking with a cousin who asks what church they go to. Or to a place unknown to your family, you might talk about water communion and gather water to bring back to share. You don't have to go anywhere to have an adventure, it could be in your backyard. You might read a book and discuss it. You might ask if the child wants to find out something more about a topic in the book. Help the child to explore the topic. You might find yourself on an adventure of your own or with your child.

We all teach our children and our examples show them more than anything we say as we model the values we want them to share. **Rev. Dr. Aija Duelm, Consulting DRE**

# July, 2019

## Simple Living Chalice Circle

The next meeting will be **Saturday morning July 13 at 11am.**

**Theme/topic** – Learning together to live deliberately.

**Facilitator** Ona Tannehill at Email [simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org).

## Women's Fellowship Breakfast.

To all the women of the Church: We're having a fellowship breakfast gathering of all the women of the Church on **Saturday, July 20 at Poor Richard's Café, 2442 K Ave. in Plano, starting at 8:30-9am and ending around 9:30-10am.** Come join us for a morning of good food and fellowship to meet other women in the church. **For more information, questions and to RSVP, contact Vicki Verinder at [membcom-chair@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:membcom-chair@communityuuchurch.org)**

The Men's Fellowship Breakfast is **Saturday, July 20, 8:30am at Poor Richards Cafe, 2442 K Avenue, Plano, TX 75074.** If you plan to attend, please let Tom Bieg know by 6pm Friday, July 19.

## Friday Flix

July 12 - TBA

July 26 - TBA

See weekly eblasts for current films. Snack, beverages and conversation at 6:30pm with the movie starting at 7pm in Founders Hall.

We will have a CUUC and Friends Labor Day Picnic, **Monday, September 2 - 2 - 6pm on Church grounds.** We will need grill chiefs, servers, trash duty, decorations etc. If you would like to contribute your time, please contact Katey Eubanks.

**Connie Meints, Church secretary will be out of the office Tuesday, July 23.**

**Deadline for the August newsletter is Friday, July 19 21. Email articles to [newsletter@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:newsletter@communityuuchurch.org).**

## Literary Ladies Book Club

**Upcoming Meeting.** Women members and friends of Community UU Church are welcome to join us on **the third Tuesday of the month from 7 – 9pm.**

**Date:** July 16

**Location:** Diane Behannesy's home. **Contact Diane at by Friday, July 12 if you plan to attend.**

Carpools will leave the church parking lot at 6:10. Contact Deb Bliss at if you'd like to share a ride.

## Selection: Making Trouble by Cecile Richards

*Cecile Richards has been an activist since she was taken to the principal's office in seventh grade for wearing an armband in protest of the Vietnam War. Richards had an extraordinary childhood in ultra-conservative Texas, where her civil rights attorney father and activist mother taught their kids to be troublemakers. She had a front-row seat to observe the rise of women in American politics and watched her mother, Ann, transform from a housewife to an electrifying force in the Democratic party. Amazon*

**The Church office will be closed July 4 and 5.**

**Rev. Dr. Aija Duelm, Consulting DRE will be on vacation July 3 - 8.**

## What's New in the Community Garden?

Our Butterfly Preserve! **Many, many thanks to Christina Hill** for creating our new Butterfly Preserve. It is thriving with parsley plants and fennel plants. The caterpillars who enjoy some of our leaves have been identified as Old World Black Swallowtails and we are so happy to share the bounty with them!

For Monarchs, she has grown milkweed from seed, starting them in the refrigerator during the winter. We also had some milkweed plants donated by her friend, who is a Texas Naturalist program participant. If you would like to learn more about this program, go to <https://txmn.org/> A few other Texas natives such as Penstemon from Jo Howser, cutleaf daisies and coneflowers along with the brilliant orange Cosmos make beautiful landing lights for the butterflies. From Christina: "It has been a labor of love with many hands taking part. It's also in the works to be listed as an official Monarch Way Station.....May you be blessed by the wonders of nature...and you don't have to go far."

Thank you again, Christina, for inspiring us to build this preserve. **If you would like to join our garden group, please contact Deb Bliss at [harvest@communitychurch.org](mailto:harvest@communitychurch.org)**

## Crafty UUs Fellowship Night

A new group has begun meeting at the Church, **Crafty UUs Fellowship Night. We meet in Founders Hall the first and third Tuesday evenings of every month from 6 – 9.** This is an outreach activity, open to members and nonmembers alike. Friends are always welcome. Bring your current project, a snack to share and perhaps, a friend for unstructured and chatty fellowship. **For more information, please contact Katey Eubanks or join us on Facebook@craftyUUs.**

## Memory Garden Bricks

Time to order your personalized brick(s) for the Memory Garden. Each brick is engraved to your specifications and installed in the west path of the garden. The cost per brick is still just \$65.00. **See Linda Frank for order forms and more information.**

## Sky & Earth UBARU Youth Astronomy/Science camp – July 28 thru August 3

**The UBarU Camp and Retreat Center will be offering a week long, science camp for youth ages 11-14 years old to run from Sunday July 28 afternoon through Saturday morning, August 3, 2019.**

UBarU is an 142-acre licensed youth-camp facility and an IDA-certified Dark-Sky Park, located in the Texas Hill country less than 20 miles west of Kerrville, TX, and convenient to I-10.

Over the week campers will be immersed in a variety of astronomy-related activities including: nightly observing and star parties, leaning how to recognize constellations to navigate through the night sky, an introduction to imaging with smaller telescopes as well as other UBarU science-related activities including renewable energy, communication/HAM radio, water management, and more. There will also be time to enjoy the other amenities at UBarU such as, swimming, hiking, labyrinth walking, and a variety of games.

## ***Adult Religious Education Classes***

The Mission of the **Adult Religious Education Program** is to nurture and stimulate the religious and personal growth of the adult church community. We offer a varied and cohesive program within the context of the living Unitarian Universalist tradition and principles. **The church website has been updated with the latest classes and class descriptions - check it out at [www.CommunityUUChurch.org](http://www.CommunityUUChurch.org). under Adult Religious Education.** CHILDCARE is available for all classes, upon request. To reserve childcare call the church office (972-424-8989) at least 48 hours in advance.

### **Tuesday**

**Tibetan Buddhism – 7pm – in the sanctuary. Meditation and Mind Training.** Please join us for guided meditation and a skillful approach to developing mental peace and clarity. **Facilitated by the Ven. Tashi Nyima.**

### **Thursday**

**Humanist Group – New Direction meets at 6pm in Room G.** The Humanist Group continues to meet prior to The Meaning of Life: Perspectives from the World's Great Intellectual Tradition class led by Rev. Don Fielding. Each week different group members plan the discussion on a Humanist-oriented topic which helps us learn more about Humanism, its history, its relationship to UUism, and its applications to our lives and spiritual-personal development. **July topics: TBD.**

**Exploring the Roots of Religion in Room G at 7pm. Facilitator Don Fielding. Big History: The Big Bang, Life on Earth and the Rise of Humanity. July topics: July 4 - BREAK; July 11; July 18; July 25**

## **Board of Trustees**

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President – Brennan Hadden Members: Jack Dorman and Angela Hathaway.

**Finance Report by Cindy Hadden Treasurer**

The May financial summary for our operating accounts is listed below. The cumulative Net Income gap is \$34.3K above budget. The last couple of months our current pledges have gone down (-\$4.1K), but Loose Offering is about \$700 above budget. Please make sure you note “pledge payment 19/20” on your check in the offering plate if that is where you intend it to go. If you have not finished paying your 18/19 pledge, please do so as soon as possible, or let us know if you will not be able to fulfill your commitment, so we can process it accordingly.

**The year has ended:** It has been a difficult year, in many ways. But financially, we accomplished everything we had hoped for. We increased our cash reserves and have a nice balance in the dedicated fund to pay for transitional cost for a new minister. It took a lot of work by lots, and lots of wonderful volunteers and our fantastic staff to make this happen. Thank you! We have also paid off, with interest, the last internal loan that was on the books (\$9.6K) which we had accrued when we replaced the A/C units. We are financially well positioned to start 2019/2020.



**Upcoming Share the Plate Offerings**

Date	Recipient
July 28	God’s Food Pantry
August 25	Barron Elementary School

*If you forget your checkbook on a Share the Plate Sunday, remember you can always donate on line.*



May’s Share the Plate netted \$165.88 for UBarU  
Thank you!

**FREE MONEY!**

**Kroger:** NOTE: It’s time to renew you Kroger Community Rewards - just follow this link: <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

**Amazon.com:** Use this link for purchases: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1787256>

*The church will get a portion of all purchase amounts!*

**INCOME & EXPENSE May, 2019**

	May 2019	Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget (FY 100% comp)
<b>INCOME</b>						
Total Offering Income	\$13,843	\$16,219	\$194,845	\$201,292	\$201,292	96.80%
Total Fund Raiser Income	\$ 63	\$ 1,650	\$ 15,873	\$ 22,615	\$ 22,615	70.19%
Total Building Usage	\$ 3,109	\$ 2,794	\$ 27,673	\$ 27,098	\$ 27,098	102.12%
Misc. Income	\$ 40	\$ 30	\$ 8,650	\$ 16,860	\$ 16,860	51.30%
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 17,055</b>	<b>\$20,693</b>	<b>\$247,041</b>	<b>\$267,865</b>	<b>\$267,865</b>	<b>92.23%</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>						
Administration	\$ 3,732	\$ 4,625	\$43,480	\$58,731	\$58,731	74.03%
Programs	\$ 1,611	\$ 3,301	\$29,121	\$37,489	\$37,489	77.68%
Religious Education	\$ 4,831	\$ 4,972	\$16,172	\$64,461	\$64,461	25.09%
Facilities/Grounds	\$ 13,948	\$ 6,188	\$65,354	\$57,004	\$57,004	114.65%
Ministry	\$ 2,000	\$ 0	\$36,263	\$29,665	\$29,665	122.24%
Denomination	\$ 1,865	\$ 1,865	\$22,380	\$20,515	\$20,515	109.09%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$27,987</b>	<b>\$20,952</b>	<b>\$212,769</b>	<b>\$267,865</b>	<b>\$267,865</b>	<b>79.43%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>-\$ 10,931</b>	<b>-\$ 259</b>	<b>\$ 34,272</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

# July

For our July 2019 calendar, go to our website at:  
**CommunityUUChurch.org**

Events listed on the calendar are subject to change. For more information and confirmation of these events, please visit the church calendar at <http://www.communityuuchurch.org/pages/calendar>.

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*Trustees meetings are held the third Saturday of each month at 10am in the Annex. Members, friends and visitors are always welcome.*

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## UU Website Links

Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA): [www.uua.org](http://www.uua.org)

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC):

**[www.uusc.org](http://www.uusc.org)**

UUA Southern Region: **[www.uua.org/southern](http://www.uua.org/southern)**

North Texas Unitarian Universalist Congregations (NTUUC):

**[www.ntuuc.org](http://www.ntuuc.org)**

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# Church Office Hours

**Monday:** church offices closed: **Tuesday:** 9 am to 3 pm  
**Wednesday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm: **Thursday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm  
**Friday:** 9 am to Noon: **Office Phone:** # 972-424-8989

**Consulting DRE - Aija Duelm. Email [dre.cuuc@gmail.com](mailto:dre.cuuc@gmail.com), phone 817-420-0935 to schedule a meeting. Please limit calls or texts between 8am – 8pm. Friday is her day off.**

**Bookkeeper John Elder Tuesday & Thursday: 10:30am - 2:30pm other times by appointment.**

**Church Secretary Connie Meints.  
Tuesday 9am to 3pm, Wednesday & Thursday 9am to 2:30pm.  
Friday 9am to noon.**

**Music Director Christopher Wolff**

## *The Community News*

*The Community News* is distributed to Members and Friends of this church. Visitors who complete a visitor card receive issues for three months. To continue receiving issues, sign the “Welcome Back” book on each visit. Others may subscribe for an annual donation of \$25.00.

The editor encourages and appreciates submissions and on-time submissions are especially delightful. The Community News is published once a month.

**Email articles to  
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CommunityUUChurch.org](mailto:newsletter@CommunityUUChurch.org)**

Please include your name on any news item submitted for The Community News. Items may be edited for clarity and brevity

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## U-U News



### Upcoming Events:

Sky & Earth Science July 28 - Aug. 3  
camp for 11-14 year olds

Human Sexuality camp Aug. 4 - Aug. 10  
for rising 8-9th graders

Star Party Labor Day weekend

Women's retreat Oct. 11 - 13

Men's retreat Oct. 25 - 27

The UBarU infrastructure capital campaign has raised enough money to complete the first project which will be the upgrade to the Meeting Room Septic system. Thank you for your gifts of treasure to support these important upgrades and improvements to our UU camp! We are looking forward to raising funds for the next tier projects to include water infrastructure improvements, additional lodging and meeting space. Together, our future is bright! Thank you to all the individuals who have pledged and also the Live Oak UU Church Endowment fund and shelter Rock for their generous donations.

Please office your fits to the Capital Campaign at:  
<https://ubaru.org/home/Support> **THANK YOU!**

If you have made a threshold donation already and would like to have a tile engraved in acknowledgement, please go to <https://ubaru.org/home/tileProgram> and complete the information needed for a tile.

**Human Sexuality Camp for Rising 8-9th graders - August 4-10, 2019.** This camp will provide honest, accurate information about sexuality for rising 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders. The camp is based on the program values of Our Whole Lives (<https://www.uua.org/re/owl>); however, the camp cannot cover the full range of material in the 7-9 curriculum. We have selected key areas to address during the week: What is Sexuality, Sexuality Values and Language, Gender Identity and Expression, Sexual Orientation, Understanding Healthy Relationships and Relationship Skills, Consent, Intimacy and Lovemaking, Sexually Transmitted Infections, Teen Pregnancy, Contraception, and Sexual Decision Making, This camp models and teaches caring, compassion, respect, and justice. There will be workshops, activities, movies/videos and plenty of free time to enjoy the facilities at UBarU such as swimming, walking the labyrinth, and enjoying bonfires.

Parent information meetings will be offered via zoom in May, June, and July. Parents will attend a parent orientation at the start of camp on Sunday, August 4, 2019. Parents are also invited to join campers for a closing celebration at 11am on Saturday, August 10, 2019 and camp will dismiss at noon that day.

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**DID YOU KNOW** that donations to UBarU are TAX DEDUCTIBLE?

UBarU Camp and Retreat Center is a privately owned and operated, non-profit 501C3 organization. We received no out side funding or grant money. We rely solely upon usage fees and donations to operated UU sanctuary in the  
Texas Hill Country.

Please consider donating to UBarU today. With your generosity we can continue to improve our beautiful 142 acre sanctuary in the Texas Hill Country, for all to enjoy. <https://ubaru.org/home/Support>.

Our mission is to provide a welcoming, peaceful place to gather for spiritual, educational, and recreational purposes in harmony with out Unitarian Universalist Principles and the Land.

Support UBarU by becoming a sustaining member.

Learn more at:  
<http://ubaru.org/home/>

**Star Party is coming - Labor Day weekend 2019**

**Why do we love astronomy?** “Astronomy is the ancient challenge we brought forward from the cave days when mankind first bowed to the moon goddess. WE have lengthened our eyesight considerably since then with telescopes and curiosity. Superstitions and fears gave way to purpose and hope to encounter other worlds also capable of contact or at least working towards it. We look for answer outside of ourselves and appear civilized enough to answer the questions of others.” (from Yahoo answers).

**Why do you love astronomy?** We will have speakers, food, lots of viewing of the night sky and more. **For more detailed information about the event and to register, see <https://ubaru.org/home/starParty>**