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### WORSHIP SERVICES

<b>June 15, 2008, 10:00 A.M. (one service only)</b>	<b>Tina Gratitude &amp; Donna Jarrell</b>
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#### **“My Two Dads”**

*A Fathers’ Day lay-led service.*

<b>June 22, 2008, 10:00 A.M. (one service only)</b>	<b>Ross Schifano</b>
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#### **“Sources of Strength and Hope in Our Community”**

*Pride Sunday*

<b>June 29, 2008, 10:00 A.M. (one service only)</b>	<b>Marge Lynd</b>
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#### **“What in the World are We Doing?”**

*Our Unitarian Universalist Service Committee is busy promoting UU principles in troubled areas of the world: Myanmar, Kenya, Darfur, and right here at home in New Orleans.*

► **Getting to Know UU** meets Sunday mornings in Slowter Lounge after the Worship Service.

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**Wednesday, June 11, 2008**

10:00a Statement Mailing  
1:00p Archives Organizing  
7:00p Memoir Writing Grp.  
7:00p Ministers' Appreciation Committee  
7:30p Earth Institute Class  
7:30p Men's Spirituality  
8:00p Women's Spirituality

**Thursday, June 12, 2008**

9:30a Improvisational Dance  
7:00p Soul Collage

**Friday, June 13, 2008**

7:00p Community Leaders Forum

**Saturday, June 14, 2008**

8:30a Zen Meditation  
7:30p Settlers (30 Somethings) Game Night

**Sunday, June 15, 2008**

**10:00a** Worship Service/Sunday School  
11:15a Sunday Forum; Getting to Know UU

**Monday, June 16, 2008**

7:00p UU Social Dance; BREAD Team  
7:00p Sunday School Com.; Building Com.  
7:00p New Earth  
7:00p Reproductive Education & Freedom  
7:30p Artists' Way

**Tuesday, June 17, 2008**

10:00a Archives Organizing  
1:00p Cancer Support Groups  
5:00p Memoir Writing  
7:00p Zen Meditation; BYOT  
7:00p Book Bites; Stewardship Com.  
7:30p Finance Committee

**Wednesday, June 18, 2008**

1:00p Archives Organizing  
5:00p Memoirs V  
7:00p Governance Documents Committee  
7:30p Men's Spirituality; Earth Institute  
8:00p Women's Spirituality

**Thursday, June 19, 2008**

9:30a Improvisational Dance  
6:00p Communications Committee  
7:30p Writing for Life

**Friday, June 20, 2008**

12:00p Cooking for Faith Mission  
8:00p OMD UUYAN

**Saturday, June 21, 2008**

8:30a Zen Meditation  
7:00p Turning of the Earth Wheel

**Sunday, June 22, 2008**

9:00a Summer Choir Rehearsal  
10:00a Worship Service/Sunday School

11:15a Getting to Know UU

1:00p UU Artists

2:00p PFLAG

6:00p Bridge Club

**Monday, June 23, 2008**

7:00p UU Social Dance

7:30p Artists' Way

**Tuesday, June 24, 2008**

9:00a Newsletter folding

10:00a Archives Organizing

1:00p Cancer Support Groups

7:00p Zen Meditation

7:00p Atheist/Agnostic; BYOT

7:00p Women's Sharing Circle (895-2109)

7:30p Men's Spirituality

**Wednesday, June 25, 2008**

**(GA in Fort Lauderdale FL)**

1:00p Archives Organizing

7:00p Memoir Writing Group

7:00p Board of Trustees

7:30p Men's Spirituality; Earth Institute

8:00p Women's Spirituality

*7:30p Thursdays, FOCUS meets in the OSU Campus area. Call 447-8407.*

The next issue of *The Discoverer*: **Sunday, June 22. Deadline: 12:00pm** – hard copy in the yellow folder in the church office; or **6:00pm** – e-mail to [olwfire@yahoo.com](mailto:olwfire@yahoo.com). If possible, please include your article in the body of your e-mail rather than as an attachment.-- Olwen Firestone, Editor

**Labor Day Weekend Retreat** in the Hocking Hills, Saturday, August 30 through Monday morning, September 1. Register using the form in the May 11 edition of the *Discover* or on the church website.

## *WENDY'S PERSPECTIVE*

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I write this last note to you through eyes clouded with tears. Your outpouring of love and affirmation are gifts beyond measure. Thank you, too, for your financial generosity which took me totally by surprise. You've relieved a lot of my worry related to cross country expenses, and opened up many possibilities as I make my new condo into something I can call home. I'm grateful, too, for the personalized picture of the church that I'll hang with pride, and for the memory filled scrapbook. Our parting has been tender and at many times tearful, qualities that are based on what we have come to mean to each other. I will miss you deeply.

You have bestowed the ultimate honor by naming me Minister Emerita. With that honor comes the invitation for ongoing connection. I will periodically send news of my life in Portland, and know that I will read the Discoverer with great interest and seek other news from the church website and collegial connections. I look forward to the day when I am again in your midst, touching in for a visit in times to come. Until then, know that you will remain always in my heart.

Go gently,



Rev. Wendy Fish,  
Minister Emerita

## *CHURCH NEWS*

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### **NEW STAFF ANNOUNCED...**

**Rev. Eric Meter** has accepted the offer from our Board of Trustees for a two-year term as Consulting Minister, beginning on August 1. We will have the option to call Rev. Meter at the end of that term.

Eric comes to Columbus from Rochester, NY, where he has been Interim Minister of the First Universalist Church of Rochester

for the past year. He was minister of the UU Church in Livermore, CA from 1997 through 2007. Eric brings a wealth of experience, including organizing a work trip to New Orleans in spring 2007 for nine youth and six adults from the Livermore church, and coordinating a regional marketing fund for the California UU churches.

**Jolinda Stephens** has accepted First UU's offer to be our Director of Religious Education! She is currently serving as the Acting Director for Lifespan Religious Programming at the UU Church of the Monterey Peninsula.

During Jolinda's visit in April, the Search Committee, the Board, the staff and many in the Sunday School program had a chance to talk with her, ask questions, and give feedback about their impressions. Thanks to all of you who participated in that process and shared your resounding "yeses."

Jolinda's passion, intelligence, and ability to observe, listen, and ask the right questions herself, were quickly evident. Her work and her life have led her to involvement in multi-cultural, anti-racism, and anti-oppression work. Diversity is an element that weaves itself through her own writings and the curricula she has adapted. Jolinda has managed and grown large Sunday School programs and is looking forward to bringing those skills to bear in our ever-growing program. She is also committed to continuing her own religious education and has nearly completed the post graduate classes required in the UU Masters Level Religious Educator credentialing process.

Jolinda will arrive in late July and be able to spend some time with our Interim DRE, Caroline Balderston Parry.

*We extend our thanks to both Search Committees – and look forward to welcoming these two new staff members.*

## **ANNUAL MEETING ACTION**

**June 8, 2008** Those present voted unanimously to approve Rev. Wendy Fish for Minister Emerita status. The 2008-09 budget was approved as presented; and the election results were as follows: for Board of Trustees – Patricia Boughton, Rich Humenick, Kevin O’Neil and Sarah Graffagnino for three year terms; Kay Gaskill for a one year term to replace Dan Hronek. Ginny Wemmerus and Doug Rossiter were elected to the Committee on Ministry (Cindy Dillard is the nominee to be appointed by the Board for the third position). Elected to the Nominating Committee: Sarah Case, Karen Dawson, Julie Pinsonneault and Jack Wisniewski. Steve Abbott was elected to a second term as Moderator.

Our thanks to all who agreed to have their names placed in nomination for these church leadership positions.

*Copies of the Annual Report and the 2008-09 Budget are available on the church website: [www.firstuucolumbus.org](http://www.firstuucolumbus.org). or can be obtained from the church office.*

**SUMMER CHOIRS** The First UU Music Department is starting a Summer Choir program to perform at the 10:00 A.M. service this summer. This is an exciting opportunity for people who would like to sing, but aren't always available during our regular season to join us! Interested singers don't have to commit to the whole summer, but can join when their schedule will allow.

In addition, an Intergenerational Choir (adults and children) is being formed for the summer. Parents and children can attend a rehearsal and perform in the same choir!

Elizabeth Woodhouse, Tony McDonald and Doug O’Neal will be taking turns in leading the ensembles.

The Choir schedules are as follows:

1) Summer Choir: **June 22; July 13 July 20 and August 24** (rehearsals begin at 9 AM on each of those dates)

2) Intergenerational Choir: **August 3 and August 10** (rehearsal dates will be announced)

Questions about the Summer Choir can be directed to Doug ([rdohio@gmail.com](mailto:rdohio@gmail.com)) or to Tony McDonald

[tonym@firstuucolumbus.org](mailto:tonym@firstuucolumbus.org)) for the Intergenerational Choir.

**EQUIPMENT** You may have noticed some Kokosing Construction equipment in our back lot recently and wondered what they were doing. First they asked if they could park their equipment in our lot as they repaired sewers around our neighborhood and we said sure. Then they had to repair a sewer line just west of the church. The easiest and most sensible access was through the back of our parking lot. They asked and we gave them permission to remove a couple of parking blocs (that they will replace) and some shrubs, as well as some neighbors’ fences to access the sewer. They should be finished before long and our lot will be restored.

– Michael Brennan, Church Administrator

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Kathryn Bernish, Ben Hauck and Sentience Hauck, Terry LeMaster, Jim McCarty, Michelle McNabb, Linda Miller, Wolfgang Salazar and Dennis Rankin, Christine Swanson

**GAME NIGHTS** Those in their 30s (Settlers) are welcome at our drop-in game nights. The next one is **June 14, 7:30pm in Room 7**. Bring a game and munchies to share. For childcare, call Marian Garcia, 267-4946, or email her at: [marian@firstuucolumbus.org](mailto:marian@firstuucolumbus.org)

## **WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY**

June 11: *A Surprise for the Spirit* with Jeanni Ray; June 18: *George Sands* with Liz James; June 25: *Let's Talk* with Jeanni Ray and all; July 2: *Birthdays, Poetry Sharing, Let's Celebrate*

**CVDs AVAILABLE** Copies of *Thank Goodness for Evolution* with Rev. Michael Dowd and Scientist Connie Barlow have been purchased for continued AEP study. Do you want summer classes or to wait until fall? Do you prefer Sundays at 1:00pm, Mondays at 7:00pm or Saturdays at 11:00am – 1 ½ hour sessions. Please leave only your preferences, name, and phone number at 433-0363. (Soon!) Thanks.

**BOOKSTORE SUMMER SCHEDULE**  
Open alternate Sundays during the summer months: **June 15 and 29; July 13 and 27; August 10 and 24.** Normal weekly schedule returns Sunday, **September 7.**

**BOOK BITES** Meeting **June 17, 7-9pm** in Slowter Lounge. New topic: Theater. Could be history of, actors in, beloved plays, reader's choice etc. Join us for an interesting evening! – Kathleen Boston, 262-4025

**CAMPING** Camping at *Blue Rock* (east of Newark ) near *The Wilds* is scheduled for **June 20 and 21.** Contact Patricia Boughton at patkap@wowway.com or 614-860-1164.

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## ***SOCIAL JUSTICE***

**BRING US YOUR TIRED, YOUR DIRTY CARS!** Our Youth Adult Steering Committee (YASC) is sponsoring a BIG, WET CAR WASH to benefit the African Rural Schools Foundation (ARSF) where Will Delphia worked last winter. It will be held on **Saturday June 14, 11 to 2 pm. on the Panera's side of our parking area, and get CLEAN!** This Car Wash is the first really active service project our YASC

youth have embarked on together, although they did collect and take many pop can tabs for Ronald McDonald House earlier. **Please support our Youth.** P.S. Will is editing a new, improved version of his video about the ARSF. Watch for its screening.

**FOOD PANTRY** Have you seen enough articles in the Dispatch about poverty in Ohio? Well, how are you helping to solve the problem? You can help by bringing food or donations to the Social Justice Table. We desperately need peanut butter for the kids at home this summer. Dried pinto beans and rice make a complete protein. Spaghetti and sauce are filling and add needed carbs.

\$25 buys a large bag of groceries; \$10 a small one. Please make checks out to the Feed My Sheep Food Pantry. Jacques Angelino will make sure your donations reach the needy in Athens County/Appalachia. Many thanks.

**HEIFER INTERNATIONAL** Animal protein is necessary for the poor in developing countries and the manure from these animals provides organic fertilizer, allowing them to grow better and more healthy crops. Less than 6% of your donation to Heifer goes for administrative costs – a huge bang for your buck!

Heifer helps many people in the USA, too. Inner city kids growing organic vegetables, farmers in the Mississippi Delta. Native Americans (Navajos) raising sheep and buffalo in Wisconsin, and numerous projects in Appalachia such as goat raising in Eastern Kentucky. Heifer makes a great gift (and gift cards are available at the Social Justice Table). Thanks for your help.



**Truancy:** According to the interim evaluation of Project KEY (Keep Engaging Youth) by Community Research Partners, 199 students from the six pilot schools went through mediation by March 31 because of five or more unexcused absences. Ninety-nine (50%) attained the goal of no unexcused absences for 30 days and 54 (27%) had two or more 30-day periods without unexcused absences. The percent decrease of unexcused absences in the target schools ranged from 36% to 76%. A final evaluation of Year 1 will include data from comparison schools. Funding has been attained to continue the project for the 2008-2009 school year.

**Poverty and the Working Poor:** Following BREAD's Nehemiah Action Meeting, all three Franklin County state senators (two Republican, one Democrat) voted for House Bill 545 to STOP the excessive 391% annual interest rate charged by Payday stores. Governor Strickland signed the bill on June 2. It limits borrowers to four short-term loans a year and caps annual interest rates at 28 percent. The Payday Loan industry is circulating petitions to get a repeal measure on the ballot this November.

The large numbers attending the last three BREAD Nehemiah Action meetings demonstrated the community's concern and empowered BREAD to achieve these successes. BREAD Rises!

Call or e-mail Alice Rathburn for information about BREAD and/or about being a part of the First UU BREAD Team, 895-2109, 563-0536, or [alice37@insight.rr.com](mailto:alice37@insight.rr.com)

## **CARING CORNER**

We welcome our Coming of Age youth:  
**Alex Lange, April Reeder, Kati McGuire, Paige Schott, Nate Ward, and Wes Young.**

Our congratulations to graduating high school seniors **Meggie McGuire, Lauren McCrystal, Will Delphia and Julia Boortz.** Best wishes to **Cynthia Lynn and Stacey William Whicker** married May 31.

Celebration wishes to: **Fred and Susan Vierow** on their 50th wedding anniversary June 17; **Frank Phillips** who announced the birth of a granddaughter, and **Donna Jarrell** on the arrival of her grandson.

We send caring thoughts and wishes to **Warren Eason** now at First Community Village Health Care Center.

Our healing thoughts are with **Louise Hastings**, hospitalized with pneumonia; **Toni Wolfe**(wife of member Chuck Wolfe) who had major surgery for ovarian cancer on May 3, and **Marcia Sidenstick** who had surgery on her elbow recently.

### **OMD Summer Institute**

**July 13-19, 2008**

**Kenyon College, Gambier, OH**

2008 Theme Speaker: Meg Barnhouse, speaker, singer/songwriter and humorist

Brochures available in the office.

*During part of the summer our senior minister, Rev Mark Belletini, is not in the pulpit and our worship services are lay led. From Memorial Day to Labor Day there is one service – at 10:00 a.m. This summer members of our Social Justice Committee will share their commitment and heart of their work with us.*

## Summer Services 2008

6-15-08	Fathers Day	Tina Gratitude & Donna Jarrell
6-22-08	Pride Sunday	Ross Schifano
6-29-08	Unitarian Universalist Service Association	Marge Lynd
7-6-08	Global Warming	Jack Wisniewski
7-13-08	Social Justice & Spirituality	Wesley Thompson
7-20-08	B.R.E.A.D.	Alice Rathburn
7-27-08	Health Care/R.E.S.U.L.T.S.	Ginnie Vogts
8-3-08	Reproductive Choice	Jane Larson & Barb Avery
8-10-08	Poverty Near & Far	Jacques Angelino
8-17-08	Humanist Service	Earl Wurdlow
8-23-08	Rev. Belletini returns to the pulpit.	

FYI A bit of First UU history...

Originally, Fellowship Hall was our Worship Center. In the 1960s, church member Joy Rubin played a major role in creating a Japanese Garden beyond the glass windows. The garden was a nice focal point for services and small outdoor weddings. Later, Joy designed the iron gate for what is now identified as the Asian garden. Money was needed to construct it.

Gladys Wayt, a long-time member of First Unitarian Universalist Church, learned about the project. She says, “Joy Rubin has been a friend for a long time. I knew her at the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Church. I wanted to fund it and thought Bill would like it.”

William Wayt was Gladys’s husband and a professor at The Ohio State University. He and his family had lived in Africa for several years when he was teaching. Upon retirement in 1985, he returned alone to Kenya do some consulting in his field of agriculture. One evening, Bill drove onto the property of the President’s House. He did not see a sign about not trespassing until he was close to the house and a guard approached him. Bill cooperated with the guard and was turning his car around when a soldier in the background shot and killed him. The soldier received a sentence of three years. Gladys lost her husband in this tragic way when he was still in the prime of his life.

Gladys Wayt is now 90 years old and enjoys all the events held at FUU for seniors.

It was a lovely emotional celebration this morning, and at the Annual Congregational Meeting. From oil down the rock to tears down the cheeks, it impacted many hearts, my own included. It was a full rich sad joyful day. Amen.

So many kudos go to Chas Williams, our incredible Board of Trustees chair, Steve Abbott, Moderator, who runs a superlative meeting, and Treasurer Debra Boyd, who talks about money issues as clearly as Judy Kleen (my highest compliment).

The transition is upon us. It will be hard, but I am convinced we'll continue to thrive in the end. This is an amazing congregation that knits together tighter all the time. I am so proud to be serving this congregation.

I will be entertaining houseguests driving through town next Sunday (the 15th) and will be at General Assembly the Sunday after that. I will visit my ailing folks, attend a poetry workshop in Iowa City, visit my friend William, attend my godson's wedding on the West Coast, and teach UU history to the Musician's Network in Boston. In between, I will be working in the office, but I am mostly not going to be answering email and phones at the office.

There are a number of folks approaching their end, so I know there will be memorial services this summer too, another form of transition that impacts the heart.

In the meantime, remember the Water Ceremony on your travels, if, in this fuel-poor climate, you are planning such. (When I bought the ticket to my godson's wedding, I almost had to be resuscitated.)

I will be here all this week, and will be in part time the week after that...getting ready for my travels.

But we're never going to be that far apart because of the quality of our community.



Rev. Mark Belletini

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Rev. Mark Belletini, Senior Minister  
Rev. Wendy Fish, Associate Minister  
Rev. Carol Brody, Minister Emerita  
Caroline Balderston Parry, Interim Dir. of Religious Education  
Lori Jones, RE Assistant  
Stephanie Rottmayer, SYC Director  
Tony McDonald, Music Director  
Doug O'Neal/Elizabeth Woodhouse, Choir Directors  
Nathan Hamm, Pianist/Accompanist  
Chas Williams, Chair, Board of Trustees

Michael Brennan, Church Administrator  
Marian Garcia, Administrative Assistant  
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Deb McGuire, Staff Secretary  
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## **RElations**

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**WHAT A WONDERFUL TIME WE HAD!** The June First Friday was a truly special night, planned as my farewell singing party – and I loved every minute of it, from the superb potluck food, to the children shyly reading their haiku, to the silly bike “helmet” decorated by the Baillieus! My special gift, a custom-designed book of photographs of Clintonville, has been signed by many of you – but I welcome any further additions to it, or to the book of haiku the wonderful planning committee has put together (available in the office). My warmest thanks to all who contributed to my celebration (and you had to be there to see the clever rockers singing “Sweet Caroline”!). Keep singing, folks!

*For those of you who haven't heard my news, I have accepted the position of half time DRE at the Unitarian Church of Montreal, starting late this summer. I know I wrote earlier that I wanted to go home to write, but I decided I both don't want to let go of my UU religious educator life AND I need some structure to my days, plus I long for another loving, principled group to share them with. So I will be here – a bit off and on - until my final day as your Interim, July 22. Jolinda Stephens will arrive the week before, and we'll be working together to ensure a smooth transition to an even better RE program than you have yet created!*

**BRIDGING STATEMENTS from our 2008 graduating high school seniors at First UU:** *we posted these after a short ceremony at the beginning of the Coming of Age service, Sunday, June 1. Each youth was given a book of meditations published by Skinner House, plus a year's subscription to the UU World and the newsletter of the Church of the Larger Fellowship. (See photos in Fellowship Hall).*

**Julia Boortz** sent her statement from Austria: I have been attending the First UU Church on an irregular basis ever since my mom starting coming shortly after we moved to Ohio 13 years ago. When I was young, I remember going to the Labor Day retreats and lighting the Chalice at the 9 am service. I am most grateful to the church (and Wendy Fish) for having a small memorial service at my house when my grandfather died in South Dakota, and I was not able to attend the funeral because of the cost and the distance. Last year, I became more involved in the church as a First Grade Sunday school teacher. I really enjoyed working with the children and the other teachers as we studied tolerance and nature. I would have loved to continue this year, but I am studying abroad in Austria so the commute is a bit too far!

As I step onto the bridge to the next stage of my life, I do not know what role the church will play, especially since I will again be many miles away (at MIT), but I will always be glad to know that I have somewhere that will accept and support me when I need it most.

**Will Delphia writes:** I think it is safe to say that many of you know me or know of me--I have been pretty ubiquitous at all levels of Unitarian Universalist community for some time now, especially within this congregation and district. Our faith association and congregations have constructed this ceremonial transition between two stages: it is said that I will be bridging out of Youthhood - away from the Sunday school, lock-ins, youth groups, churchy-sex-ed, district CONs, and that youth dorm at Summer Institute. I will be now moving into the equally awkward years that we UUs call “young adult.”

I am not sure if I will find a place within the YA happenings - especially wherever I end up in these next 17-some years. But that is what is going on for me when it comes to my Church life. I experienced the first of my bridging ceremonies at Spring Con a few weeks ago, where it signified the end of my time with that community. I have two more coming up -- at GA, and then SI .... something to be said about the UU church is that they don't let you forget about stuff like this. I guess it is just the next step. It is not that I don't feel ready, I think I do - but looking back at my time as a UU Youth, it is going to be hard for whatever comes next to compare to it, so I guess I will just have to try extra hard to seek out the same types of great communities centered in growth, love, and justice that I have found so far....

I am grateful for a place from which to branch out, or return to, and I will greet the adult community with a firm handshake. As I step onto the bridge to the next stage of my life, I wonder where it will go?

**Meggie McGuire says:** I have been attending First UU since I was four years old and I have been an official member since I signed the book at the completion of the Coming of Age program when I was 15. Over the years, I have participated in most of the Sunday School programs. For the last two years I have been teaching Sunday School in the 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms. I also have served on the Youth Adult Steering Committee (YASC) and worked with Sandy Aska and Lauren McCrystal to write the curriculum for the new-this-year Sr Hi Youth Covenant Group. These experiences helped me learn more about the church, the principles it was built upon and the people who call it home. I also learned a lot about myself, what is important to me, and why I am proud to call myself a Unitarian Universalist.

I am grateful for the encouraging, open-minded and supportive community First UU has been for me as I've grown up. As I step onto the bridge to the next stage of my life, I will look back fondly on all the memories I have of this amazing church. I will take all of the wisdom and kindness you all have given me with me wherever I go.

And from **Lauren McCrystal:** I'm a life-long Unitarian Universalist, a proud SYC, OWL, and Sunday school graduate, and I signed the membership book after completing Coming of Age three years ago. My real coming of age, though, has happened gradually, throughout all the years I have been here. In fact, it's still happening. Meggie and I wrote the new Sr Hi Youth Covenant Group curriculum together with Sandy Aska, and I've taught a great group of kids in Sunday school for two years. I learn from those who are older than me, and I learn from those who are younger. Just as importantly, I have learned from all the other youth at this church and at Summer Institute and youth CONs who have grown up along with me. They have taught me that I will be accepted for who I am, and that physical distance doesn't make a friendship any less strong. I want to remember that next year, when I won't be able to come to church here each week.

Every single one of you, whether I know you or not, has played a part in making me the person I am today. As I step onto the bridge to the next stage of my life, I feel the community of First UU is, and always will be, my home.

*Calling all mothers and daughters, concerned men and boys: special summer screening and discussion of the powerful HBO film "Iron Jawed Angels," about the 1917-19 women's suffrage movement. **Saturday July 19, 2-5 pm** – watch for further details!*

Blessings

