

# East Suburban Unitarian Universalist Church



Sunday Services - 10:30 AM  
Religious Education - 10:30 AM

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## IMPORTANT NOTICES

After church on April 2, a **GROUP PHOTO** will be taken by a professional photographer in front of the church. Please plan to stay for a few extra minutes for this important time and bring your best smile.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME REMINDER**-Remember to set your clocks ONE HOUR AHEAD before you go to bed on Saturday, April 1. No fooling!

## ESUUC Sunday Services

**Sunday, April 2, 10:30 am** – “*That Was Easy!*”- **Dr. Waun** will do an interactive presentation on Appreciative Inquiry as a way of reviewing and setting goals in our church community. We will also hear the tender anthem “*Alleluia Canon*” – to be sung in loving memory of Milan Mendik, using music presented to the choir by Natalie DeFee Mendik.

**Sunday, April 9, 10:30 am** – “*Global Warming: Two Perspectives*” – Join **Tom Bailey** and **Jim Osborne** as they present two perspectives on the topic of global warming.

**Sunday, April 16, 10:30 am** – “*Co-existing With Vultures*”-Traditional Easter is about hope and new life in the wake of anguish, death and despair. **Dr. Waun** will tell about her February trip to Uganda, where today, instead of baby chicks and Easter basket goodie nests, vultures are found literally nesting and circling everywhere, waiting for something to die. But the people live and work where hope is growing. It is a very different and inspiring kind of resurrection message we will hear this morning.

**Sunday, April 23, 10:30 am** – “*Hearing God*” - Following the story of the prophet Mohammad, **Rev. David McFarland** examines what might it mean to listen so intently that you hear the voice of God.

**Sunday, April 30, 10:30 am** – “*Where Two or More Shall Gather*” - Friendship is often subject to little more reflection than Hallmark status. Yet friendship can be the basis for a lifelong relationship or a momentary passing that impacts for a lifetime. Spiritual friendship may be experienced on a level beyond

articulation, and physical friendship may be meaningless. How to define friendship is yet another stopping point on our journey this morning. Join **Rev. Kate Walker** for this program, and bring a friend!

**Sunday, May 7, 10:30 am** – “*Why I’m Not Perfect*”-Some of us try to be perfect, some go out of their way not to be, and others are happy being somewhere in the middle. **Dr. Waun** will share why she doesn’t want or need to be perfect and invites others to adopt this perspective for more joyful living. We will also celebrate the Child Dedication of Jeremy Safran this morning.



## *Pastor’s Column:*

*by Rev. Renee Waun*

## *Time For Miracle Gro*

It’s that time again... time to dig around in the garden, to rake away the dead leaves and get ready to plant seeds. This year I plan to use a little Miracle Gro to refresh and restore my Tomato patch because the soil seems to be depleted from planting the same things in the same place for too many seasons.

Here at ESUUC it’s that time again, too...time to dig around amongst the ideas that have been sprouting up lately; to cultivate strategies for what is bursting forth and to sow the seeds for what comes next. And while we can’t literally use Miracle Gro to enhance the projects of the community life that we share, we do have inspiration, enthusiasm and passion to restore and refresh the plans and strategies that we are growing. Each season brings new visions for planting different projects in last year’s soil.

Here at ESUUC everyone’s ideas, energy and enthusiasm are valued. We nurture the seeds that create the “miracles” all around us. And in this season especially, we celebrate all those miracles. As Albert Einstein once said, *There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.* Come, be part of the ongoing miracles and growth here at ESUUC.

See you in church!



## *mU Usings from the President:*

*by Maureen McHugh*

## *Spring: A Time for Renewal*

I am thinking of Spring as I write this on the Equinox. Spring is a good time for renewal and for new beginnings. Tune your heart to the season of spring and what meaning it has for you. Consider this spring as a new phase of your life; develop a new plan or enterprise. How can we at ESUUC be a part of your planned renewal? You can be a part of ours! To help us at ESUUC renew and fulfill our mission as a congregation, please participate this month in our annual canvas. We will be contacting you in April for your plans, your feedback and for a financial pledge to support the mission of the church. Looking forward to a beautiful Spring and to a new year of accomplishments here at ESUUC.

## *How Shall We Celebrate?*

ESUUC has its 40th anniversary in the fall of 2006. We're thinking about how to mark the occasion. Watch for a poster page in the lobby to put down your ideas. You can also tell them or send them to Nancy Fitzgerald at church or [nmeyerfitz@verizon.net](mailto:nmeyerfitz@verizon.net).

## *Committee on Ministry*

The ESUUC Committee on Ministry has begun meeting, and the members are available to receive feedback from the congregation on issues related to the ministry of the church. Suggestions and concerns will be accepted with confidentiality and respect. To help you understand the committee's purpose, our mission and scope are described below. We welcome your comments in person or by email.

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### **Team Mission**

*The Committee on Ministry will promote the ministry of the church, as expressed in the ESUUC mission statement; assess the church's effectiveness in achieving its mission; and receive feedback from individual church members. It will track the heartbeat of ministry within the congregation: how the members take care of themselves and each other, how the lay ministerial leadership serves the congregation, and how the called minister serves the congregation. It will understand, assess, and advocate for the ministry throughout the congregation's life.*

### **Team Scope and Boundaries**

The following list illustrates some of the more significant topics that the team will focus on:

- Monitor general conditions related to the fulfillment of the ESUUC mission.
- Keep the board apprised of significant opportunities for promoting the mission (i.e., proactive recommendations), as well as any need for corrective measures (i.e., remedial recommendations).
- Prepare a "state of the ministry" report every March, in time to support the budgeting and planning processes (beginning in March 2007).
- Serve as a general advocate of the church's high-level mission.
- Be available for individuals to discuss sensitive issues involving the minister, paid staff, board members, lay leaders, or minister-congregation relations.
- Serve as a sounding board and conduit for resolution of any "people problems" involving church leadership.
- Review the activities of the minister, paid staff, and the congregation to assure the continuing compliance of all parties with existing covenants.

While the team is empowered to make recommendations in any area related to the achievement of the church's mission, the decision-making authority will reside in the affected area: board, committee, officer, etc.

## *Junior High Con*

On Saturday March 4, we had 6 kids from our congregation in attendance at a DRE sponsored Jr. High Con held at First Church in Pittsburgh. 32 UU kids from congregations around the area attended. It was a great opportunity for the kids to meet one another and participate in a variety of activities. At the Con, the kids helped make 2 quilts that will be given to 2 families from Somalia that First Church sponsors. They also

spent some time in a wheelchair – our hope being that they would gain an appreciation of the challenges some people face and an awareness of how people who are challenged are treated, and should be treated. They helped to design a worship service, and they spent time learning about safe use of the Internet. During lunch they met with two representatives of the local YAC organization, and several have already started talking about the next youth sponsored con and what they need to do to get there. All in all, a great day! We plan to go again next year.

### *Update: Partner Church and Trip*

There are nine travelers from five area UU churches who are getting geared up for the Heritage Trip to Transylvania this summer. East Suburban UUC and Sunnyhill Church in the South Hills have joined together on a partnership with a small church in Kopec, Romania, pastored by the Rev. Alpar Kiss.

The group will be taking gifts for our partner church and host families (we will stay part of the time in homes). Our children from ESUUC are making two identical banners to represent our partner relationship. One banner will be hung here in our church and the other will be presented to the Kopec church when we get there. We will also sign our partner church covenant while we are there. It is an agreement to stay in touch, to expand our friendship and to learn about each other, among other things.

There will be opportunities to worship together and to learn more about the theological similarities and differences between the Unitarians there and here, as we travel around the country. There have also been some interesting political developments in Transylvania in recent days. Please keep us in your thoughts as we prepare for this exciting adventure.

### *"Coming of Age" Program*

As many of you may be aware, we will begin a new COA program in the fall of 2006. As part of that program, we will shortly be sending out letters to all members of the congregation asking for volunteers to mentor our candidates. (If you don't get one, please contact us directly –we are not sure we have everyone's address). Please consider volunteering to help in this very worthwhile and rewarding program. It is an opportunity to work with the next generation and develop a bond with our future. We hope YOU will be one of those special people who help with this exciting, and sometimes challenging, project.

### *Movie Night Problem*

It is with great regret that we must tell you our days of movie nights are over, at least for now. Gerard Katilius has been borrowing the necessary equipment from his employer, which has enabled us to offer regular movie nights at the church. However, due to internal changes, this will no longer be possible. Until such time as we are able to buy the equipment ourselves, or find another source to borrow it from, we will not be able to have any further movie nights. If you have the equipment and would be willing to let us borrow it occasionally, please let us know.

### *Play*

The Pittsburgh Playback Theatre presents "Eyes Wide Open—a Statement on the War in Iraq"

When: **Sunday, April 2 – 4:00 pm**

Where: East Liberty Presbyterian Church, corner of Penn and Highland in East Liberty

This performance will conclude four days of the American Friends Service Committee's "Eyes Wide Open" exhibit in Pittsburgh. Eyes Wide Open Across Pennsylvania consists of over 111 pairs of empty combat boots – tagged with the names of Pennsylvanian soldiers who have died in the current Iraq war – displayed together with a visual representation of the thousands of Iraqi civilians who have died during the conflict. In Pittsburgh, it will be part of four days of events. (for schedule and more details, see writeup at the end of this newsletter)

### *Teen (and pre-Teen) Book Club*

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday, April 8**. We are reading "Ender's Game" by Orson Scott Card. New members are welcome. Hope to see you there! Contact [REdirector@esuuc.org](mailto:REdirector@esuuc.org) for time and location, or for more information.

### *Come Hear a New Play*

On **Monday, April 10 at 7:30 pm**, East Suburban hosts the reading workshop of a new play in progress: "Keeping the Faith: William Jennings Bryan" by Gerald Uelmen, starring Gary L. Anderson. This is part of a national tour that is stopping in Pittsburgh. See accompanying Press Release at the end of this newsletter!

### *Adult RE: "Raising Boys"*

Adult Religious Education Series Offers "Raising Sons", **Mondays, 7:00-9:30 pm, April 17, 24 & May 8, 15**. The sessions will be held at ESUUC.

The issue of raising sons has recently been discussed in our congregation and in the national media. Maureen McHugh, ESUUC, and Robert Heasley, First UU Church of Indiana, are both IUP faculty specializing in gender studies. Together they have designed this discussion course for parents of sons, teachers or anyone with a vested interest in raising happy, healthy, emotionally whole young men. The adult RE series will be based on the enormously compelling book, *Raising Cain: Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys* by [Dan Kindlon](#) & [Michael Thompson](#) (Ballantine Books, 2000) and will also feature the accompanying video *Raising Cain - Exploring the Inner Lives of America's Boys* (PBS, 2005). *"Our premise is that boys will be better off if boys are better understood."*

Therapists Kindlon and Thompson argue that our culture's dominant masculine stereotypes shortchange boys and lead them toward emotional isolation. Boys suffer from a too-narrow definition of masculinity, the authors assert as they expose: the "culture of cruelty" boys live in, the "tyranny of toughness," the disadvantages of being a boy in elementary school, how boys' emotional lives are squelched, and what we, as a society, can do about all this without turning "boys into girls." As a tool for change, Kindlon and Thompson present the well-developed seven points, "What Boys Need." Kindlon (researcher and psychology professor at Harvard and practicing psychotherapist specializing in boys) and Thompson (child psychologist, workshop leader, and staff psychologist of an all-boys school) have created a chilling portrait of male adolescence in America.

Registration fee: \$7.00/session, \$25 for the series. To register, contact Maureen McHugh [mcmchugh@IUP.edu](mailto:mcmchugh@IUP.edu)

### *Book Club*

The book club will meet on **April 20** at the Wilkins Panera (not the Monroeville - Miracle Mile where we usually meet). This is up Route 22 across from Sears in the Penn Center. We are reading "The Postman" by David Brin. If you want to get a head start on May's book we will be reading "Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking" by Malcolm Gladwell. Email [bookclub@esuuc.org](mailto:bookclub@esuuc.org) for more information.

### *Family Drumming Circle*

**Saturday, April 22 at 3:30 pm** – Please confirm date/time via email to: [drumming@esuuc.org](mailto:drumming@esuuc.org)  
Come one, come all and join in the FUN! Drum along with other people of ALL ages and ability levels.



Bring your drums or use ours - we have plenty to share. Snack foods are welcome, too. Your kids will LOVE it and you will, too!

### *Wellness Retreat Among Friends*

Experience wisdom and interaction with Complementary Medicine providers, plus fun, relaxation and complimentary samples at the Wellness Retreat Among Friends. This event will be held **Saturday, April 29, 9:00 am till 3:30 pm**, and is sponsored by the Health and Wellness Association, s'eclairer, and ESUUC. For details and registration information, see the flyer attached to the newsletter

### *Wheel of the Year: Beltane*

Please join us in celebrating Beltane on **Saturday, April 29 at 7 pm**. We will have a bonfire, cakes and ale. Bring a lawn chair, something (food or beverage) to share, and a drum if you have one. Dress appropriately for the weather. This is the next Wheel of the Year Celebration. If you have any questions please contact Leona Dunnett 724-327-3841 at [secretary@esuuc.org](mailto:secretary@esuuc.org) or Kathy Begg 412-373-4106 or [nikitazeema@comcast.net](mailto:nikitazeema@comcast.net)

Beltane marks that the winter's journey has passed and summer has begun, it is a festival of rapturous gaiety as it joyfully heralds the arrival of summer in her full garb. Beltane, however, is still a precarious time, the crops are still very young and tender, susceptible to frost and blight. As was the way of ancient thought, the Wheel would not turn without human intervention. People did everything in their power to encourage the growth of the Sun and His light, for the Earth will not produce without the warm love of the strong Sun. Fires, celebration and rituals were an important part of the Beltane festivities, as to insure that the warmth of the Sun's light would promote the fecundity of the earth. Beltane marks the passage into the growing season, the immediate rousing of the earth from her gently awakening slumber, a time when the pleasures of the earth and self are fully awakened. It signals a time when the bounty of the earth will once again be had. May is a time when flowers bloom, trees are green and life has again returned from the barren landscape of winter, to the hope of bountiful harvests, not too far away, and the lighthearted bliss that only summer can bring.

### *Drumming Circle*

**April 30th at 7:30 pm:** Joint Drumming Circle with The Green Bough at ESUUC!

Mark your calendar for this exciting night when we host our drumming friends from The Green Bough ([www.TheGreenBough.com](http://www.TheGreenBough.com)) in Irwin. Come join in this special evening of drumming, chanting, and meditation. No experience is necessary and we have plenty of drums to share. Drumming with friends new and old is a great way to relieve your stress and be a part of some great positive energy. We hope to see you there . . .

### *Sunday Refreshments*

A time-honored tradition among Unitarian Churches is to gather for "social hour" immediately following Sunday service. At ESUUC we gather in the community room for coffee, juice, something tasty to eat and spirited conversation. It is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet some new friends at church. Each member is asked to take a turn throughout the year providing, serving and cleaning up refreshments. With everyone taking a turn it is usually once a year that we are called upon. The schedule tends to go alphabetically so you can get a rough idea when your name may come up.

Don't worry if you are not a cook---store-bought treats work quite well. There is a "guide to setting up refreshments" posted in the kitchen and at the end of the September 2005 newsletter. If this is your first time you may want to review it a couple of weeks before you take your turn to get an idea of the flow. If you have any questions or are daunted by the thought of serving refreshments, please call Kate Codd-Palmer at (724) 325-3903. Don't think she will let you off the hook, however, we all seem to like to eat.

The refreshment table is located in the far corner of the community room. This area also serves as a religious education room for the children during service. You may consider preparing the table before service starts, so the children are not interrupted during class time. There is also a cart in the kitchen that can be used to place food items on and be wheeled into the community room after service.

### *Refreshments Roster*

If the week you are assigned doesn't work with your schedule, please switch with someone else for that month.

Apr 2	Ken and Andrea Noble	May 7	Chris Priano
Apr 9	Jim Osborne/Jen Trout-Osborne	May 14	Sharing Sunday
Apr 16	Sharing Sunday	May 21	George Ratliff
Apr 23	Gayle Pamerleau	May 28	Bob & Jean Robl
Apr 30	Kate Codd-Palmer/Brien Palmer		

### *Registration For RE 2006-07*

Can you believe it is time to start thinking about next year already???

Registration forms will be sent out before the end of April. Please get them back to us as soon as possible so that we can make our plans for the fall. If you don't get a form in the mail, and would like to register your child(ren) please contact us at [redirector@esuuc.org](mailto:redirector@esuuc.org) and we will get one out to you. If we've missed you in our mailing, we apologize – we know we don't have everyone's address. For your convenience, we have also attached a copy of the 2006 to 2007 RE Registration Form to this newsletter.

### *RE Class Schedule*

<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
	Apr 2	Maria Luczkow
	9	Natalie Mendik
	16	Easter: no nursery
	23	
	30	Cathy Serventi

<b>Lower Elementary:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
	Apr 2	Kids Attend First Part of Service, followed by Children's Chapel	Kate Zingarelli
	9	The Peace Quilt (Session 15)	Kate Zingarelli
	16	Easter: no RE today	
	23	Service Project	
	30	Practice for Intergenerational Service	Kathy and Dan Begg

<b>Upper Elementary:</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
	Apr 2	Kids Attend First Part of Service,	Kate Zingarelli

		followed by Children's Chapel	
	9	Deciding and Acting (Session 32)	Karen Katilius
	16	Easter: no RE today	
	23	Service Project	
	30	Practice for Intergenerational Service	Kathy and Dan Begg

Middle School:	Day	Class Description	Teacher
	Apr 2	Kids Attend First Part of Service, followed by Children's Chapel	Kate Zingarelli
	9	Relationships	Tom Dunnett
	16	Easter: no RE today	
	23	Service Project	
	30	Practice for Intergenerational Service	Kathy and Dan Begg

### *Youth Group*

Youth Group meetings (all are **Sunday evenings**, from **6-8pm**): **April 9, 23**

Dates and times are subject to change, so please check for updates: contact Leona Dunnett, Youth Advisor ([secretary@esuuc.org](mailto:secretary@esuuc.org)).

### *Barter Board*

If you have items to trade/sell, or have needs, you can post to the Barter Board.

The Board is located in the RE hallway on the Community Bulletin Board. To use, fill out a card (available on the Barter Board itself) describing your item or need, then pin it up in the appropriate column of the Barter Board.

Want your item listed in the weekly newsletter? Fill out an extra copy of the card and give it to Leona Dunnett, put it in the Secretary's mailbox, or e-mail the info to Leona at [secretary@esuuc.org](mailto:secretary@esuuc.org).

### *Congregational Committees*

#### **Committee – Chair (email)**

Aesthetics – Jean Robl and Maureen Lilly Building and Facilities – Jim Osborne Caring & Concerns – Maria Luczkow ( <a href="mailto:caring@esuuc.org">caring@esuuc.org</a> ) Committee on Ministry – open Community – Kate Codd-Palmer Finance – Chris Priano Landscaping – Laurie Montgomery Membership – Marylyn Devlin	Music – Alan Halperin Religious Education – Kate Zingarelli Signs and Symbols – Leona Dunnett Social Enrichment – open Drumming – Jen Trout Osborne ( <a href="mailto:drumming@esuuc.org">drumming@esuuc.org</a> ) Sunday Programs/Celebrations – Brian Ogle Welcoming Congregation – Matt Mathis
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### *Calendar*

Sun. Apr 2	Choir Rehearsal – 9:00 am at the church
Wed. Apr 5	Board Meeting – 7:30 pm at the church
Sat. Apr 8	Teen Book Club – “Ender’s Game”
Sun. Apr 9	Quartet Rehearsal – 9:30 am at the church



Sun. Apr 9	Youth Group – 6-8 pm at the church
Thurs. Apr 13	Beltane Planning meeting – 7 pm
Mon. Apr 17	“Raising Sons” adult RE – 7-9:30 pm at the church
Sat. Apr 22	Family Drumming – 3:30 pm at the church
Sun. Apr 23	Committee Budget meeting
Sun. Apr 23	Youth Group – 6-8 pm at the church
Mon. Apr 24	“Raising Sons” adult RE – 7-9:30 pm at the church
Sat. Apr 29	“Wheel of the Year” celebration: Beltane – 7 pm at the church
Sun. Apr 30	Drumming – 7:30 pm at the church
Mon. May 8	“Raising Sons” adult RE – 7-9:30 pm at the church
Mon. May 15	“Raising Sons” adult RE – 7-9:30 pm at the church

### *Newsletter Deadlines*

May 2006 newsletter deadline: **Sunday, April 16**

Please email your articles to [newsletter@esuuc.org](mailto:newsletter@esuuc.org) or call Marianne at (724) 325-1548 and leave a message with your news, stories, and other information.

### *Get the Weekly Email News*

If you would like to receive a weekly email that includes items not in the newsletter and reminders of upcoming events for the week, please send an email from the address you would like subscribed to [esuuc\\_news@esuuc.org](mailto:esuuc_news@esuuc.org). You can also send a message to that address if you would like it included in the weekly email announcement to the congregation. If the message can't wait for the weekly announcement, please contact Leona at [secretary@esuuc.org](mailto:secretary@esuuc.org). No attachments please.

# **Pittsburgh Playback Theatre presents - Eyes Wide Open—a Statement on the War in Iraq.**

When: Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 4:00pm

Where: East Liberty Presbyterian Church, corner of Penn and Highland in East Liberty

A performance by Pittsburgh Playback Theatre will conclude four days of American Friends Service Committees Eyes Wide Open exhibit in Pittsburgh. Eyes Wide Open Across Pennsylvania consists of over 111 pairs of empty combat boots – tagged with the names of Pennsylvanian soldiers who have died in the current Iraq war – will be displayed, together with a visual representation of the thousands of Iraqi civilians who have died during the conflict. In Pittsburgh it will be part of four days of events. (for schedule see below)

Pittsburgh Playback Theatre's (PPT) mission is to listen to and reflect the human experience in a way that increases each individual's sense of community and respect for humanity. Pittsburgh Playback Theatre uses improvisational performance to engage the audience in a meaningful dialogue.

The actors of PPT will improvise vignettes that respond to the words and expressions of audience members. The result of this unique experience is that the audience learns about themselves and the others around them, and deals with complex issues in a safe and creative atmosphere.

PPT gives voices to people who cannot, or do not easily speak for themselves. We believe that by empowering people to tell the stories of their lives, and by encouraging people to listen to these stories, we can help our community connect to each other and respect each other more fully.

We hope you will join us for this performance, which will be both a moving and healing conclusion to Eyes Wide Open in Pittsburgh. Please come early and see the exhibit.

The schedule for the four days of the exhibit in Pittsburgh is below:

FILMS - THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm to 10:00 pm, Carnegie Mellon University, A20 Porter Hall  
Fallujah 2004 and Ground Truth: The Human Cost of War

EXHIBIT - FRIDAY, March 31, 11:00am to 8:30pm, Friends Meeting House, 4836 Ellsworth Ave in Oakland

VIGIL – FRIDAY, March 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm, Friends Meeting House

EXHIBIT - SATURDAY, April 1<sup>st</sup> 11:00am to 7:00pm  
East Liberty Presbyterian Church, (ELPC) Corner of Penn and Highland Aves in East Liberty

FILMS – SATURDAY, April 1<sup>st</sup> 2:00pm to 6:00pm, East Liberty Presbyterian Church  
Fallujah 2004 and Ground Truth: The Human Cost of War

COMMUNITY FORUM: Thoughts and experiences of the cost of war – SATURDAY, April 1<sup>st</sup>  
7:00pm, East Liberty Presbyterian Church

EXHIBIT - SUNDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00pm to 3:00pm, East Liberty Presbyterian Church

PITTSBURGH PLAYBACK THEATRE: Reflections on the Human Cost of War – SUNDAY  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4:00pm, East Liberty Presbyterian Church

A READING WORKSHOP OF  
**KEEPING THE FAITH: WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 10, AT 7:30 PM**

East Suburban Unitarian Universalist Church, 4326 Sardis Rd. Murrysville, PA 15668  
**Free**—Open seating—*Donations* accepted  
Call Gary Anderson at 530-243-9945 for more info

**THIS WILL BE A FREE *READING OF A NEW PLAY IN PROGRESS***

**K E E P I N G   T H E   F A I T H**

**W i l l i a m   J e n n i n g s   B r y a n**

***By Gerald Uelmen - Starring Gary L. Anderson***

(On a note of almost schizophrenic irony: Mr. Anderson also tours nationally in his highly acclaimed presentation of *Clarence Darrow: The Search for Justice* and will be appearing as Darrow, Bryan's nemesis in the Scopes Monkey Trial, on *April 11 at 7:30 pm* at First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh, 605 Morewood Ave)

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Bryan was one of the most passionately admired and hated politicians in American history. **Bryan was much loved and reviled for his beliefs.** He was the Christian Fundamentalist spokesman who fought for Creationism in public schools, votes for women and against all war. He was Democratic candidate for President – three times. He was “**The Great Commoner**” he was *The Prince of the Pulpit*.

**His life was a fascinating blend of politics and religious faith.**  
**When asked how he could reconcile a life in politics with religion, he said**  
*“Governments are man-made and therefore can be improved upon.”*

**This is a two-act reading with an intermission.**

**DESCRIPTION**

Playwright **Gerald Uelmen's** elegant script marries good storytelling with a literary style befitting the great orator. Drawn widely from his speeches, letters, eulogies, poetry and choice anecdotes, we learn not only about the man, but also much about history.

Like his one-time friend, **Clarence Darrow**, Bryan was a defender of the common man, an opponent of the death penalty and an advocate of peace--an extreme pacifist. *Both men believed that the way to be measured is by loving your fellow man.* Bryan was a dynamo who never lost his faith in the “struggling masses” and urged government to make **all** the people thrive, not just the well to do.

**Playwright--Gerald F. Uelmen . was defense counsel in numerous high-profile cases, including the cases against Daniel Ellsberg in the Pentagon Papers Trial, Christian Brando and O.J. Simpson.**

He is a Professor of Law at Santa Clara University School of Law California, where he served as Dean of the Law School from 1986-1994. He began his career as a federal prosecutor in Los Angeles, and has taught at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles.

He is the author of six books, including two collections of legal humor entitled *Disorderly Conduct* and *Supreme Folly*, and the just published *Wizard's Guide to California Evidence*.

**Gary L. Anderson** is a member of the **Screen Actors Guild** and the **American Federation of Radio & Television Artists**. An award-winning actor, he has performed in many musicals, comedies and dramas. He has appeared in the TV series, **America's Most Wanted**, **Unsolved Mysteries**, **Marker**, **Raven**, and has danced as Ebenezer Scrooge.

**American Legends Theatre Works 1376 West St., Redding CA 96001 530.243.9945**

## Wellness Retreat Among Friends

Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am until 3:30 pm

*Fun, relaxation and complementary samples*

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**East Suburban UU Church**

### **Location**

ESUU Church, 4326 Sardis Road, Murrysville, 15668

*Located 3 miles North of McDonald's on Route 22 at Vincent Hall Road; or 3 miles South of Route 286*

### *Samples of:*

Shoulder and Neck Massage   Reiki   Delicious, healthy food

### *Wisdom and Interaction with Complementary Medicine Providers*

Chiropractic, Biofeedback, Counseling, Psychotherapy,  
Family and Integrated Medicine, Yoga

### *Expertise in*

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# Registration Form ESUUC RE Program 2006 to 2007 Year

**Childs**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade on Sept. 1, 2006:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note any allergies or other special conditions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s) Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you interested in teaching/participating in the RE program? Yes No**

**My preference would be to teach the following section: (Please circle all that apply)**

<b>Nursery :</b>	<b>Elementary:</b>	<b>Upper:</b>	<b>Coming of Age:</b>
<b>Through 3yrs</b>	<b>4 yrs – 3rd grade</b>	<b>4th – 7th grade</b>	<b>8th and 9th grade</b>

**Class assignments are based on age on Sept. 1, 2006.**

**Do you or your children have any concerns we should be aware of?**

**Any other comments?**

**Would you be interested in having you child attend OWL? (No OWL sessions are scheduled for this year – but we are planning for the future.)**

**(Class parameters are subject to change depending on number and ages of children registering for the program)**