



GBAUUF

Committee Reports
May 2010



Membership Committee

- Development of an updated Membership Directory
- New member recognition (coordination of a new member breakfast & service)
- Development of UU orientation classes
- Revamping of forms that are filled out by visitors and perspective new members
- XX New Members since July 1, 2009



Facilities Committee

- More chairs and hymnals added due to membership growth
- 23 people were part of the clean team
- 4 people mowed the lawn
- Dishwasher, sinks & toilets and other repairs done as needed
- Aesthetics subcommittee developed



Program Committee

- **Plan services for all the Sundays between September and the end of June.**
- **Find guests that provide stimulating topics relating to furthering our spiritual journeys.**
- **Not looking for someone to do a presentation or a lecture.**
- **Utilize our members as many of them are quite talented and inspirational**
- **Receptive to the ideas of our congregation on topics and speakers.**
- **Speaker provides the “sermon” portion of the Sunday**
- **Our team works to coordinate the other pieces: Opening words, Hymns, Chalice Lighting, Story for All Ages, Readings, Closing Words**
- **Someone on our team “facilitates” or leads the service for that day or finds another person to facilitate.**



Caring Committee

- Links caring members to members in need
- Invites members to become part of the committee
- Invites members in need of care to call/e-mail with their specific issues
- Awareness for members who might be in need of care
- Offers transportation, emergency childcare/meals, a listening ear, light housekeeping/errand help



Committee on Ministry

- Met approximately 6 times
- Discussed policies and procedures
- Explored mission and necessity of committee
- Explored pastoral care options including student ministers, contracting with FVUUF
- Waiting for March 2010 survey results



Religious Education

- 37 registered children and 36 parent teachers
- 3 Intergenerational services involving all ages- Christmas program, "Being a UU teen in Green Bay", and the Flower Communion tradition.
- The ever popular Apple Picking outing in October that is attended by many families.
- This year's program involved all parents joining in as teachers of all our fellowship's children. It takes a village!
- High quality curricula for our 4 class levels that focus on Unitarian Universalism and our core seven principles.



Adult RE Committee

- Published our first “Adult Enrichment Opportunities”
- Built upon the strong base of the book group, the men’s group, and First Friday Discussions as our foundation
- Added movies (The Last Lecture, Religulous, and others)
- Offered Living Green Simplicity, conducted Build Your Own Theology, along with the normal new UU classes.
- Tai chi was a welcome physical encounter to the discussions.
- Next year look to add to offerings based on the fellowship survey results.
- Look for the Adult Enrichment Opportunities booklet for 2010-2011 in late summer / early fall!



Coming of Age

- Planning is underway for the 2nd Coming of Age program for 2010-2011
- Six young females are planning to participate
- Mentors from 2008-2009 conducted a service about the experience of serving as a mentor and their journey on April 1, 2010
- Letters and information sent to participating youth and their parents by April 30, 2010



Men's Group

- A safe environment for the men of the fellowship to connect with and support each other.
- Meetings the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm at the Fellowship. From May through August one of our monthly meetings is an outdoor activity.
- 4th annual retreat near Waupaca with 14 men attending during the first weekend in February.
- Organized a summer Sunday service, cooked and served at the brat barn and played a key role in the Coming of Age vision quest retreat



Service Auction Committee

- Biggest fundraiser and a lot of fun
- Auction goods and services donated by members and the community – e.g.: dinners, skilled services, and silent auction items
- Provides members and guests with an enjoyable social event
- Builds our sense of community
- Fundraise for the Fellowship
- 2009: 50 attendees and \$6200 after costs



Scrip

- Scrip sales continue to increase
- Averaging \$3000/wk in sales
- Profit of ~\$4800 in the last 10 months
- Able to increase on-hand stock which has lead to the increased sales
- Profit used to purchase additional chairs, office supplies and rain barrel materials
- Goal for 2010-11 year is 10 more individuals to become regular scrippies



Social Justice Committee

- Liaison with JOSHUA, a local interdenominational justice coalition.
- Support and programs devoted to our being a UU Welcoming Congregation.
- Support and presence in the community, including Pride Alive, and ongoing GLBT issues.
- Support for local food needs including Golden House and NEW Community Shelter.
- Information/support for the United Nations and other social justice needs, both local and global
- Open to a changing world and local focus and hope to address other issues as the opportunity arrives.



UU Book Group

- Meet monthly (Sept-June) in members homes or coffee houses/restaurants; members choose date/time to host
- Establish schedule of titles early - everyone is invited to contribute titles for the group to read
- 2010-2011 "season" will be a Classics theme
- 12 active participants, attendance varies (2-12) due to schedules. Anyone is invited to join or come.
- Email list for updates and information to participants



Coffee Hosts

- Members volunteer to serve as hosts in coffee room and provide treats
- Opportunity for casual, friendly interaction and conversation following Sunday Services
- Supports community and caring of members
- Offers Fair Trade Coffee and juice
- Donations accepted for coffee/beverages



Fair Trade Coffee

- Equal Exchange Products are ordered and sold at the Fellowship
- Sales have declined this past year
- Display will return to the Coffee Room for better visibility



Rain Barrel Committee

- Participated in 2 Farmer's markets
- Participation in the first Green Bay Green Parade
- Conducted Rain Barrel Workshop at Green Bay Multicultural Center
- Over 100 barrels and kits sold
- ~\$3500 earned through this FUNdraiser



NEW Community Shelter Meal

- Serving meals since 2002. Our expenses for that first meal were \$75.70 and we served around 80 people.
- Currently provide a meal 3 times per fiscal year. Funds come from a special collection the first Sunday in June.
- Most recent meal served on November 30, 2009. Served 224 people with expenses at \$133.58.
- Serve more keeping expenses low as shelter provides meat
- A typical meal would include a casserole type entrée, vegetable, lettuce salad, fresh fruit and desserts (cookies or bars).
- Shelter provides some ingredients. GBAUUF is responsible for preparing, cooking and serving the meal and providing desserts.
- Typically 4 cooks, 4-5 servers and 8-10 dessert/treat makers are needed for every meal.