



# The Communicator

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## June Programs

### Discussion Group at 9:30 am

**June 3 – TED Talk, “How I made friends with reality”** by Emily Levine

**June 10 – To be announced**

**June 17 – Stephen Muller** of Beacon College will talk about the college in Leesburg.

**June 24 – Safety Team Program with Fred Lorch.**

### Woerscippen at 11:00 am

**June 3 – The “Rev Fairie” Elaine Silver** returns to UUCLC to present her newest program, “American-AH! The Spirit in Folk Music.” She says she uses Love humor, and a sprinkling of magic, to present her musical messages. This one, promises to be both entertaining and educational.

**June 10 – Dan Gribbin**, a member of the Daytona Beach UU Congregation, is always a welcome visitor here. He comes to us this Sunday to talk about “Teaching Tolerance,” the uplifting story of how the curriculum that the Southern Poverty Law Center sponsors for teachers came about and how it is used by teachers.

**June 17 – Doug Worthington**, a Tri County UU member, will bring us a talk titled “We All Have Two Lives.” Humans, Doug says, block out any thought of their own mortality. Once they willingly accept this reality, however, they will live life with more purpose and focus.

**June 24 – End of Season Service:** The UU Song, “Spirit of Life” has in it the phrase “Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.” We end our fall-winter-spring services with an interactive service symbolically committing our hands to working for a kinder and a more just world.

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## June Birthdays

June Sweeten, June 1  
Bob Young, June 2  
Franklin Pennington, June 23  
Pam Ward, June 26



## June 2018

Summer is approaching quickly and with it come a few changes in our life here at UUCLC. We switch to our summer schedule soon and I will be going on leave. My last day will be Thursday, June 7th, and then I will go to Ministry Days and General Assembly in Kansas City near the end of June to serve as your ministerial delegate. The UUA provides live streaming of all worship services, the Ware lecture, and the general sessions. This is how you can see how we as a denomination do our business. It is really interesting and illuminating and I encourage you to make time to do this. You can find information about live streaming General Assembly on the UUA website.

After General Assembly is over, I officially will be on leave until my return in August. What does that mean? Well, my email will be off and I will not be answering or returning calls during that time. “But what if there's an emergency?” you may ask. We do have contingency plans in place. If there is an emergency or major issue of which you think I should be aware, you can reach out to Betty Emery, our Board President, and she has the authority and blessing to reach out to me. I have every faith that the members of this community can and will support one another, just as you always have done. If a situation warrants it, I have colleagues in the area upon whom I can call to come and provide you with pastoral assistance.

My hope for all of us during this summer is that we get a chance to breathe, to renew, to recharge, and to reenergize. I know that I am looking forward to this extended Sabbath for my own self-care. I also am looking forward to returning on August 19th to start our second year together.

Have a blessed and rejuvenating summer and I will see you in August!

...Rev. Tracie

## President’s Message...

Hello members and friends of UUCLC. We are rapidly approaching UUCLC’s fiscal year 2018-2019 which begins on July 1st. The Finance Committee has been working with the Board of Trustees to develop a budget that meets our goals and needs for the next year. During our annual meeting this past April, the Finance Committee presented a proposed budget to the congregation. Since that April meeting, we have increased the proposed budget to meet our projected upcoming financial obligations and needs. We are looking at it from a position of “abundance” as Rev. Tracie has encouraged us. I am hopeful that the congregation will step up and consider this with our pledges. We have been blessed with generous pledges from many members of the congregation. And for that, the entire Board of Trustees thanks you!! However, we are still needing more members to pledge and we hope you will consider to give as generously as you can. If you have already pledged, you can increase your pledge as well. The pledges we have received to date have fallen short of our projected needs. At the last report, we have had only 1/3 of our members submit a pledge for 2019. We are hoping for everyone’s help so we can have the financial resources to meet our budget goals. We ask that all members give what you can. If you are not yet a member or are a UUCLC friend, we also greatly welcome your financial support.



The budget has increased due to several upcoming expenses which are detailed in another article in this month’s Communicator by our treasurer, Stuart Anderson. In summary, the increases include housing for the minister, increased expenses to maintain the building and to amortize our debt toward the member loan program. We have also included funding for a paid part-time administrator. The administrator is going to be crucial for this growing congregation. We had a record year of adding new members and the great news is that we are growing!! But we also have increasing needs and we need to take our congregation to the next level by adding a professional administrator to make sure that everything runs smoothly. And the final budget addition is to set aside a defined amount to be given to charity so that we may fulfill our philanthropic goals. ►

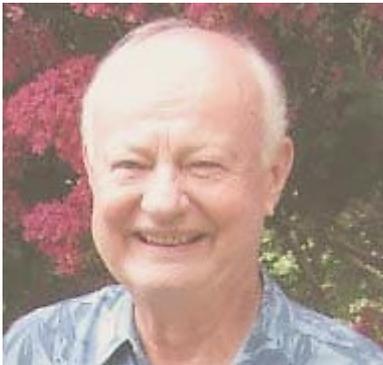
► I hope that each member and friend takes this call for pledges to heart and that we can truly move forward into fiscal year 2019 with the mindset of abundance. I wish to personally thank everyone for their support of UUCLC. I also want to wish everyone a very wonderful beginning of the summer season and I look forward to hearing about all the adventures as some of us depart for travels to some amazing places!

...Betty Emery

**Treasurer’s Message...**

It's about that time of year again, when the old Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 ends, June 30, and the new FY 2019 begins, July 1.

First, let's consider the **Budget for Operating Expenses proposed for FY 2019:**



Items	\$ budgeted	% of total
Professional Staff	40,200	35.1
Programs	8,730	7.6
Building & Grounds	34,200	29.9
Public Relations	6,760	5.9
Committees	6,500	5.7
Denomination	3,280	2.9
Administration	14,790	12.9
Total	114,460	100.0

The Board proposes that we should increase the Budget to \$114,460 from the \$92,010 proposed at the Annual Meeting in April. The additional \$22,450 of expenses are \$10,000 to amortize the loan, \$7,800 to pay an Administrator, \$3,500 to rent housing for the Minister, and \$1,150 for charity.

Second, let us consider how we shall we pay for all of these budgeted expenses. We estimate that unpledged donations will amount to about \$15,000. Thus, pledged contributions are needed to cover the greater part of the Budget, about \$100,000. The Pledge Drive, begun in April, is well on its way. As of the end of last month, 33 Members (or families of Members) of the Congregation had pledged more than \$67,500. We appeal to you, the remaining, currently unpledged Members, to complete and return a Pledge Card before the end of this month, and the earlier the better. Remember that how much you pledge to give is *not* so important; it is important that you pledge to give. Let every Member be a Pledger.

Third, it is also important that you fulfill your pledge to give by the end of the FY. With a month to go, more than one-half of the 50 Pledges for FY 2018 have not yet been fully paid. If you have not yet completed payment of your Pledge by mid-month, I will be emailing you a reminder to fulfill your pledge by month's end. Our thanks to all of you who pledge and give of your treasure – not to mention your time and talent – to UUCLC. As an organization, we could not live and thrive without it.

Finally, a note on the Wine-Tasting Variety Show Fundraising Event of Saturday, May 12. We received donations of \$761 in the hat that night and of \$120 in the baskets the next morning. Because of the generosity of our Members, who donated all the flavorful food and delightful drinks, and as well their valuable time and amazing talents, we had only about \$18 in expenses. So we cleared about \$863 to the benefit of our Loan Repayment Fund. A big thank to all of you who participated in the Fun and donated to the Fund.

...Stu Anderson



It was fun having "Little Logan" in the CCR last month. He created a special turtle picture for his Uncle Logan. He also sang one of his favorite Bruno Mars songs & danced to a Chuck Berry song.

We still need teachers & assistants Sunday morning 9:30-10:30. I will offer more trainings in the Fall.

We also need members who would like to give presentations during class time. So far, we have:  
Ernie-planetary science

Peter-healthy cooking project

Tristin-TED Talks for kids

Other possible subjects....gardening, recycling, nature, music, arts & crafts, etc. Pick a topic to share & come have some fun! I will be scheduling these Sept-May.

Please, call or text me with ideas or questions – (941) 416 8957 [candipton@rocketmail.com](mailto:candipton@rocketmail.com)

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