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The mission of this organization is to be an accepting and supportive community that nurtures spiritual, emotional, and intellectual explorations, articulates ethical values, and encourages actions based on personal beliefs. This community is a voice for religious diversity, human tolerance, improvement of the human condition, and preservation of our environment.

#### **CONVERSATION WITH EVA**

Last weekend, the Masjid here in the Cedar Valley was defaced with political graffiti. The next day, people gathered in support of the Islamic center. It felt so important at a time when tensions are running high in our country. It was good to be together and feel that we aren't alone in our aspirations for peace and cooperation. We planted an Interfaith Peace Tree in front of the Masjid. Afterwards we shared stories and said "hello" to our friends. For me, it was good to meet people I hadn't seen in a long time. When my Nigerian exchange student, Murja, was living here, I often visited this masjid. We shared holiday meals together. It was good getting to know some more of my neighbors in the Cedar Valley I wouldn't otherwise know.

So, last weekend we reconnected. It was a good boundary crossing. With my old relationship with them, it felt very important to show up and offer prayers in the light of someone being so rude. It's much easier to feel sympathy and compassion for people we know: for faces who's eyes we've looked into, smiles we've watched unfold.

The month of November will bring a special focus on Islam here at CVUU. It seems especially important in light of all the heightened tension about radical Islam in this country and in the world, that we come to some deeper understanding of our Western culture's relationship to this religion. Our *Albert Browne* will present a sermon and forum series to help us come to some better and deeper understanding of this complex subject. Please try and attend the full series, so you can get the full course of the history. Hopefully, we will be inspired to deepen our connections to our Islamic neighbors here in the Cedar Valley.

See you in church!



#### **NEW SMALL GROUP FORMING**

Are you interested in getting to know others at a more personal level? Can you spare a few hours once a month to meet with a small group and discuss various issues? The small group that has been meeting on the third Sunday from 4:00–6:00 p.m. is opening up to new members and will meet November 20<sup>th</sup>. This group has met for several years and at this point our numbers have dwindled to just a few members. We need new faces!—new ideas!—and would love for you to join us.

Please contact *Mica Lorenz* at <mikemica@gmail.com> if you would like to join us or would like more information.



UU related historical facts in our newsletters are contributed by *Mica Lorenz* and taken from *This Day in Unitarian Universalist History* by Frank Schulman – Skinner House Books.

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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RE?

November is a month of Thanksgiving. I am thankful for a lot of things which include family, friends, a warm house, a good meal, continuing to be cancer free and much, much, MUCH more. I'm very thankful for my kids and watching how each day they blossom into their own. *Landon* is enthralled with the presidential race and *Izzy* is always looking for an opportunity to help little kids, be it in school or helping to babysit our neighbor's daughter. They continue to grow with an open mind for what is different. Landon was excited that this RE year, he had graduated into the YoUUth room and Izzy was just as thrilled moving up into the Intermediate Class. They are so excited to get older, and about everything that comes with that.

We are busy on the weekends with activities, but when we are home on a Sunday morning, they are in church. It is important for them to be with their UU friends even if some Sundays they don't feel that is true. It is important for the kids to attend consistently as it strengthens their relationship with each other, they learn more from the curriculum, and they remember that the CVUU is a home for them.

This RE year we have started out with some inconsistent attendance. Our YoUUth class is blossoming and has so much great energy! Our other classes have wonderful volunteers leading them with great lessons to be taught; the only thing missing is the smiling faces of the kids from week to week. Don't get me wrong, we don't have an empty classroom, but the number of kids in these rooms has been low. I am thankful for every week I get to see all of the kids, but I will ask you to consider having your son or daughter attend more frequently. The curriculum that is taught is one that rolls from week to week. Often, the children are referring to the week before to get the larger picture of what it means to be a UU. As you know, we are a complex group of people. (*Kevin* says that it helps the teachers as well, as then they know what to expect and what they can accomplish.)

I certainly can understand a weekend recharge, where we just hunker down at home. Those are important, but on Sundays, consider having a little recharge at church.

There is another thing that I am thankful for (well there are many more things I am thankful for), but one more thing that I want to declare right here and now is my lovely volunteers who show up from week to week to teach three kids or thirteen kids. You are all wonderful. A great big bunch of thankfulness goes out to: *Mica Lorenz, Mike Knapp, Sam* and *Krista Saylor, Kevin Stafsholt, Michaela Rich, Juanita Williams, Paula Bennett, Karen Impola, Carollyn Hartsfield, Christine Carpenter, Betsy Brant, Stacy Speakar, Karah Spahn, Erin Buchanan, Kelly Fischer and Grace Margherio.* 

Have a happy and warm Thanksgiving.

Angie Stafsholt, DCRE



*Joseph Tuckerman* began his work with the poor of Boston under the sponsorship of the Association of Religious Improvement on November 15, 1826. He worked particularly with children, seeing that they went to school and had shoes and clothes. He helped to establish Sunday schools for poor children and was a leader in the Sunday School Society (Unitarian) until he died.

On November 14, 1843 *Jenkin Lloyd Jones* was born in Cardiganshire, Wales. He graduated from Meadville Theological School in 1870 and was a Unitarian minister in Winnetka, Illinois from 1870 to 1871 and All Souls Church in Janesville, Wisconsin from 1871 to 1880. He served as secretary of the Western Unitarian Conference from 1875 to 1884, and led the Conference on a path independent of Boston headquarters, wishing to leave Christology behind. Jones founded Unity and was the leader of the Unity movement, a radical modernist movement in Midwest Unitarianism in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. He was secretary of the World's Parliament of Religions from 1892 to 1895 and director of the Abraham Lincoln Center in Chicago, Illinois from 1905 to 1918. Jones was at odds with the American Unitarian Association because of his radical theology. He was also a pacifist and opposed American entry in World War I. Jenkin Lloyd Jones died on September 12, 1918.



NOVEMBER SERVICES

Sundays at 10:00 a.m. unless stated otherwise

November 6<sup>th</sup> Destiny Disrupted: A History of the World Through Islamic Eyes

 $\sim \sim$  Al Browne, Karen Impola (CA) This is Part 1 of a four part series on Islamic history with *Al Browne* giving us a review of the book by the same title. (The forum this Sunday will be Part 2 in the series.)

# November 13<sup>th</sup> Destiny Disrupted: A History of the World Through Islamic Eyes

 $\sim \sim$  Al Browne, Del Carpenter (CA)

*Al* concludes his attempt to summarize 1,400 years of Islamic history in this second of two Sundays. This service is the third part in the series with the fourth being today's forum discussion on his presentation of *Destiny Disrupted*.

#### November 20th

<u>**Thanksgiving:** A Feast with Strangers</u>  $\sim \sim$  Rev. Eva Cameron, Maureen Murphy (CA) Join us for our Thanksgiving celebration. Please bring food items for our Parade of Food collection.

#### November 27<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. (note time change!)

Thanksgiving Chapel and Unorganized Potluck ~~ Damon Gross

*Damon* will lead us in a less formal chapel service with reflection and sharing about our personal Thanksgivings. After the service we will have a brief preparation time before enjoying our unorganized potluck. Team Brown is the coffee/tea host. Please bring main dishes, salads, desserts, etc. to share. We can be thankful for the opportunity to prepare, enjoy, and clean-up after a shared meal.



What is the difference between Election day and Thanksgiving day?

On Thanksgiving, you get a turkey for the day; on Election day, you get a turkey for four years.

# GREEN LIVING CORNER CURING T.M.S.

A friend said recently she suffers from T.M.S. or Too Much Stuff. Me too. There are books, hobby materials, pots and pans we don't use much, extra stuff we save "just in case."

But until I saw the UNI Center for Energy and Environmental Education website (while searching for their great "Yards for Kids and Pets" signs), I had no idea that "Stuff" accounts for 42% of the average American household's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions! How can that be?

Local environmentalists Susan Salterberg, Carole Yates, and Heidi Fuchtman broke it down this way:

. . .[Here are] the sources of greenhouse gas emissions, as identified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. When the EPA uses broad economic systems to classify GHG emissions, they have found some surprising things. The four categories—Infrastructure, Use of Appliances and Devices, Personal Transportation, and Heating and Cooling—all totaled contribute 58% of the nation's greenhouse gas emissions.

However, they go on, the **single largest contributor** is <u>Materials</u>, what we know as the "stuff of life."

Stuff (think plastic bottles, electronic devices, clothes) and its staggering 42% of



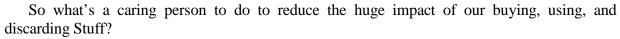
Greenhouse Gas emissions is made up of these factors:

Resource Extraction and Manufacturing (32%),



Transportation (7%),

Landfill and Wastewater (3%).



~ Shop consignment and re-sale stores so you can make the useful life of already-manufactured items last much longer.

- ~ Think "shared experiences" over "stuff" for presents (always more memorable).
- ~ Gift "alternate gifts" of contributions in someone's honor to a charity.

~ Give a handmade gift from your own hands and heart; another way to reduce and reuse

May the Force for Saving our Environment be with you through the holidays and every day.



The Unitarian abolitionist *Samuel May* died on November 23, 1899 in Leicester, Massachusetts, at age eighty-nine.



It doesn't make a difference what temperature a room is, it's always room temperature. ~~*Steven Wright*  *Sir Charles Lyell* was born in Kinnordy, Forfarshire, England on November 14, 1797. He was a lawyer who became an eminent geologist and anthropologist and professor at King's College in Cambridge. Lyell worked to reconcile science and religion. Queen Victoria knighted him in 1848 and he became a baronet in 1864. Lyell worshiped at Little Portland Street Chapel (Unitarian) London. On his trips to America, he became acquainted with William Ellery Channing, Henry Whitney Bellows, William Channing Gannett, and Henry Ware, Jr. He became a worshiper in Unitarian churches in both America and England. Lyell wrote and spoke often of his devotion to Unitarianism. He died on February 22, 1875, and is buried in Westminster Abbey.



The Buddhist Path group meets each Thursday at 7:00 p.m. with 'tea and cookies in the

kitchen'. They then adjourn upstairs to check in with their stories of the week, chanting, meditation, and then have dharma discussion. Feel free to join in any Thursday with the exception of Thanksgiving on the 24<sup>th</sup>.



Interested in the CVUU Progressive Parenting group? Stay in touch and keep up with what they do and when they will meet via <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/569299679747285/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/569299679747285/</a>>.



The Caring Connections committee meets on the first Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m. The contact person for November is *Cindy Hahn* who can be reached at 266-9685 or <clhahn@cfu.net>.



"a.m. UU" will meet on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. The group is open to anyone who enjoys morning coffee, tea and conversation. We meet from 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. at the Cedar Falls Caribou Coffee on University Avenue on the third Monday of every month. Hope to see you there. . .and don't forget to stop by the Scrip table on Sundays to purchase Caribou scrip!

Bill Brown



I went to the bank and asked to borrow a cup of money. They said, "What for?" I said, "I'm going to buy some sugar." ~~ Steven Wright Wow, you folks certainly have some members who keep the place looking spiffy! *Bill Brown* noticed that the front sidewalk was so uneven it wasn't safe, and has had it replaced. It looks



very nice now but the little mice used to use the crevices for games of 'hide and seek' so they're rather disappointed. We've also heard that *John Miller* is looking into end caps as a remedy for leakage that's occurred in the Youth room. In the garden, we noticed *Mica Lorenz* working very hard cleaning up

the Peace Garden and the grounds on the west side of the building. She removed all the weeds and added mulch to those locations—that was a lot of physical labor! Thanks to all of you for making our church home so attractive. *The Church Mouse* 



# Mark your calendars for the *2016 TREATS & TALENTS AUCTION*!!

The "Pirates of the UU" be back! We set sail for this year's Treats and Talents Auction on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. We be setting our course fer Treasure Island. Auction runs from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Child care will be provided. That be plenty o' pie and rum fer yer liking too, matey.

Start thinking about what "treats" or "talents" you might offer up for the evening. Last year's event offered a wide range of items ranging from baby sitting to mouth-watering dinners.

Pirate costumes are not required, but sure make the evening a lot more fun. Start digging out those eye patches, polishing up your peg legs and sharpening up your cutlasses. Come aboard for a fun-filled cruise on the Spanish Main.

For more information contact Capt'n Laird Beard at <lairdknapp@gmail.com> or 610-0834.



At the time of this writing, some trees are turning color and their leaves are falling fast while others are still green! Here's wishing everyone a safe and color-filled autumn!

Congratulations to Donna Kroeger on her move to a new home.

Remember our senior members and friends with thoughts, prayers, calls or a visit. *Lewis Lynch* is at Friendship Village; *Earl Van Fleet* is at Rosewood.

Contact Rev. Eva with pastoral concerns or if you are in need of assistance.



*Frances Dana Barker Gage*, a Universalist feminist and social reformer died at age seventy-six on November 10, 1884.

# **DIVERSITY COLLOQUIUM** "A War on Drugs, or a War on People?"

Dr. Kimberly M. Baker, Criminology and students from Drugs, Crime & Society class

The War on Drugs was intended to stem drug use in the United States. The war-like mentality of drug enforcement, however, has resulted in harmful practices that have narrowed suspects' rights, widened the net of those considered drug dealers, and resulted in extraordinarily long prison sentences. UNI Criminology faculty member Dr. Kim Baker and her students in the *Drugs, Crime, and Society* course explore how issues like search and seizure, conspiracy laws, militarization, and mandatory minimum sentencing have affected real people's lives along lines of race, class, gender, and citizenship.

The event is sponsored by the Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology Dept. (SAC), CSBS, the Office of the President, CETL, and the War on Drugs Task Force of Cedar Valley Citizens for Undoing Racism.

Wednesday, November 30, 2016 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Scholar Space, Rod Library Refreshments will be provided



## A FRIENDLY REMINDER...

If you use an RE classroom and/or nursery room during the week, outside of when childcare staff is present, please leave the room how it was found. What does this include?

- \* No food or dirty diapers left in the trash
- \* Floor picked up of toys and placed in appropriate place
- \* If RE supplies laid out, please leave as found
- \* Windows closed
- \* Door locked

Thank you, *Angie* and *Stacy* 



### IMPORTANT~~NOVEMBER DEADLINES FOR THE CALENDAR AND NEWSLETTER

The next newsletter will be the *December* issue. The calendar deadline for this issue will be Wednesday, November  $16^{th}$  (info goes to *Janet* in the office) and the newsletter deadline will be Friday, November  $18^{th}$  (articles get sent to me).

If you are unsure as to which of the two of us needs your information, send it to both of us and we'll sort it out. An important reminder, Janet is <u>not</u> in the office on Fridays, so come deadline week it's very important that she receives your information by Wednesday!

Please mark your calendars now for November  $16^{th}$  and  $18^{th}$ —the December newsletter deadlines.



Gerry Chamberlin, Editor

## IMPORTANT NOVEMBER DATES FOR CHILDREN'S RE

- **6<sup>th</sup>** -- Regular RE (Daylight Saving Time ends!)
- 13<sup>th</sup> -- Regular RE
- **20**<sup>th</sup> -- Regular RE
- 27<sup>th</sup> -- No RE, Chapel Service at 11:00 a.m., with a potluck to follow.



#### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER? WONDERING WHAT UU'S BELIEVE?

If you've started attending the CVUU recently and are interested in becoming a member, or finding out more about what UUs believe, please join *Rev. Eva Cameron* and *Michaela Rich* on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in Eva's office for discussion and fellowship. This is an informal gathering where Eva will discuss UU history, and questions about the CVUU can be asked and answered. If you'd like to become a member of the CVUU, you may sign the membership book. Please contact Michaela at <michaelarich1@gmail.com> with questions. We hope you will join us!



A small business owner was dismayed when a brand new corporate chain much like his own opened up next door and erected a huge sign which read *Best Black Friday Deals*.

He was horrified when another competitor opened up on his right, and announced its arrival with an even larger sign, reading *Lowest Black Friday Prices*.

The small business owner panicked, until he got an idea. He put the biggest sign of all over his own shop which read: *Main Entrance*.



#### **BENDING THE ARC TOWARDS JUSTICE**

November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. November 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Kenwood Park United Methodist Church, Cedar Rapids

#### Iowa Justice Action Network Fall Conference

A celebration of the dedicated people who are working to improve the lives of the incarcerated and formerly incarcerated.

A call to action to reform the criminal justice system and end mass incarceration.

Registration is \$15; checks payable to IJAN Send to: IJAN, 2709 Edgewood Drive, Cedar Falls, IA 50613 For more information: <allen.hays@uni.edu> *Sir John Bowring*, a British Unitarian and member of Parliament, died on November 23, 1832 at age eighty.



*Angie*'s office hours are: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and Sunday mornings.



#### **November Plate Collection**

The November Plate Collection will be on November 27<sup>th</sup>. The collection will be for Iowa Pride Network. Iowa Pride Network is the youth outreach arm of OneIowa. They develop LGBTQ youth advocate leaders and support gay-straight alliances. Our CVUU Alliance Small Group recommended focusing our contributions on this program. <www.oneiowa.org>.

Thank you for your contributions to the plate collections. In August \$176.50 was collected for Community Meals and in September \$207.00 was collected for NAMI.

Shannon Michael, Social Justice Committee



#### SOME OBSERVANCES FOR NOVEMBER

National Native American Heritage month National Military Family month National Lifewriting month National Peanut Butter Lover's month National Novel Writing month National Candle month National Scholarship month National Family Caregivers month National Hospice Palliative Care month



# COMMUNITY MEALS

First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls is the location for Community Meals—the next one in which the CVUU participates will be *Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>*. Thanks to all who helped in *August* and to those who can offer to help us again.

Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs that morning, donate cupcakes, serve from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., and clean up from 5:45 p.m. until approximately 6:30 p.m.

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or contact *Ruth Walker* at 277-7044 or <ruthdbwalker@yahoo.com>.

#### ADULT FORUMS

# November 6<sup>th</sup>

Understanding Islam, Part 2

A follow-up, small group discussion of issues raised in *Al Browne's* Sunday service presentation (Part 1) on the history of Islam based on the book, *Destiny Disrupted*. With all of the hateful rhetoric (and even hateful actions) currently directed towards Muslims in our society, it is important for people who believe in religious tolerance to have a complete and accurate understanding of their faith.

#### November 13<sup>th</sup>

#### **Understanding Islam, Part 4**

A follow-up and final small group discussion of issues raised in Parts 1, 2, and 3 of *Al Browne*'s presentation on 1,400 years of Islamic history based on the book, *Destiny Disrupted*.

#### November 20<sup>th</sup>

#### A Look at the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)

Founded to help refugees during World War II, the UUSC continues to be a strong progressive voice on issues concerning the human rights of disadvantaged populations in the developing world and to offer important developmental services to these groups. Each year, our "Guest at Your Table" offering goes to support the UUSC, but not everyone may appreciate what they do. This discussion will give us the opportunity to reflect on their contribution to our religious movement.

#### November 27<sup>th</sup>

Due to the holiday weekend, there is no Adult Forum this day.

Al Hays



# REMEMBER!! DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>



*Henry Solly* was born in London on November 13, 1813. Reared Unitarian, he was a member of the first class at University College in London that would receive Unitarians (1829-1832). He became minister at the Unitarian chapel in Yeovil, Somerset, England, and served other English churches in Tavistock, Shepton, Mallet, Cheltenham, Lancaster, and Carter Lane in London. Solly also founded the Working Men's Clubs, the Charity Organisation Society, and the Garden City movement. His main concerns were for the welfare of working men and the poor, universal suffrage, education, temperance, and the abolition of slavery. Like many English Unitarians of his time, Solly was socially radical but conventional in his theology. Henry Solly died on February 27, 1903.



What is a pumpkin's favorite sport? Squash



Have you been following the #NODAPL movement? Have you heard about what is happening at Standing Rock? A large group of people have joined together to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline near the Standing Rock Reservation in North Dakota. Maybe you heard about Amy Goodman, the journalist charged with participating in a riot for filming private security guards pepper spraying and unleashing dogs on protestors. Did you know the camp has been set up since April, but is only now getting media attention?

During law school, I was in the American Indian Law program, and my studies culminated with an independent study, much like a thesis or dissertation. The focus of my research included the very land in question today. It is a long and complicated history and would take more space than I have in this forum to fully explain, but I would like to give you a brief background so the next time someone is talking about what is going on, you can inform them that the pipeline is in violation of federal and international law.

The Treaty of Ft. Laramie was signed on April 29, 1868. It guarantees that the Sioux Nation (which includes the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe) shall enjoy the "undisturbed use and occupation" of their land. Although the pipeline is not crossing current reservation boundaries, it is proposed to cross land that is included in the Treaty of Ft. Laramie—land to which the Sioux Nation still has treaty rights. As a side note, the Treaty has been the subject of years of litigation because it also concerns the Black Hills. In 1980, the U.S. Supreme Court affirmed the Black Hills were wrongfully taken from the Sioux Nation and that they were entitled to compensation. The tribes have refused to take the money and it continues to sit in trust, totaling over \$1.3 billion.

The pipeline violates Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice because it disproportionately impacts a Tribal community. It also violates the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Even though the pipeline will cross over the Ogallala Aquifer and cross the Missouri river twice, a detailed Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has not even been completed, only a lesser study, a brief Environmental Assessment.

Executive Order 13007 on Protection of Sacred Sites states that agencies shall avoid adversely affecting the physical integrity of sacred sites. Similarly, Section 106 of The National Historic Preservation Act requires agencies to consult with tribes. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe has identified historical ceremony sites and burial grounds in the planned construction zone. On September 2<sup>nd</sup> the Tribe provided documentation regarding a number of sacred sites. The following day, Energy Transfer Partners sent construction crews to that specific site and bulldozed the entire area. Over 1200 archeologists and related professionals have written President Obama denouncing the destruction of these sacred sites.

The pipeline is in violation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Although the U.S. does not believe UNDRIP to be legally binding, the official U.S. policy is that the U.S. supports the Declaration and believes it has both political and moral force. Article 19 of UNDRIP states that governments shall consult and cooperate with indigenous peoples to get their prior consent before adopting any legislative or administrative measures that may affect them. At no point prior to construction was the Tribe consulted. In September, the Tribe addressed the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva. The U.N. Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues agreed with the Tribe, and called for the U.S. to comply with UNDRIP. The U.N. body also called the pipeline a threat to the Tribe's and millions of people's drinking water access.

Standing Rock cont'd. next page. . .

On October 9<sup>th</sup> a judge issued an order denying the Tribe's motion for an injunction. Essentially, the Tribe wanted construction of the pipeline stopped while the case is on appeal. Currently, the Department of Army, the Defendant in the case, will not allow the pipeline to continue construction on land bordering or under Lake Oahe. They have asked the company to voluntarily stop construction within twenty miles of the lake while the Army reconsiders the decision to proceed under NEPA. The other construction can continue. Only time will tell if the same company that attacked protestors with dogs and purposely destroyed sacred sites will voluntarily halt any construction.

Protectors continue to be arrested. Those protecting the land plan to stay through the winter and are in need of supplies. If you would like to help, you can go to the Sacred Stone Camp's website or Facebook page.

Shannon Michael



CHILDCARE REMINDER

A message to all parents who use childcare: the Sunday service starts at 10:00 a.m. with a children's story. Please keep your children who go to RE with you until RE starts. The nursery is for children age 5 and under. Alternative activities for children ages 6 and up will be available during the 'second hour'.

This year we have a new procedure. We have a book for parents to sign their child in/out. This helps us keep better track of who is attending.

Wednesday and Thursday evening childcare has resumed during church activities. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Stacy Speakar



Thanksgiving is an emotional holiday. People travel thousands of miles to be with people they only see once a year—and then discover once a year is way too often.

~~ Johnny Carson



I am grateful for what I am and have. My thanksgiving is perpetual. ~~*Henry David Thoreau* 

# Set Sail For Treasure Island! The 2016 Treats & Talents Auction



# When: Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Where: Fellowship Hall

It's time for our annual Treats & Talents Auction! This year the UU Pirates be back. So dig out your eye patch and cutlass and set sail for our fall happening. While it's not really Treasure Island, feel free to come dressed as a pirate. Social begins at 6:00 p.m., auction at 7:00 p.m.

Just what is a "Treats & Talents Auction?" This is our annual

fundraising event where members, friends and area businesses donate items to be auctioned off during the event. Auction items have ranged from dinners to parties, hand woven shawls and scarves, fossil hunting trips, weekend and vacation get-aways to personal services like an evening of baby sitting, putting up storm windows or cleaning house gutters. Auction items are only limited by the creativity of the donor whether they sell for \$5.00 or for \$50.



The Social starts at 6:00 p.m. and the Auction starts at 7:00 p.m. so we can end by 9:00 p.m.



Light refreshments from our crew of "Pie-rats" and grog provided to deal with the munchies. Child care will also be available. Join the UU Sea Chantey Singers as they do the horn pipe! Fill out this auction item form, drop it in the box in Fellowship Hall, email it to Mike Knapp at <lairdknapp@gmail.com> or send it to him at 1141 Independence Ave., Waterloo, IA 50703.

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"Sailing Fer Treasure Island" – The 2016 Treats & Talents Auction	
I will donate the following auction item(s):	
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