

September 2015

#### A Note from the Minister

In Jewish tradition Rosh Hashanah, or the new year, begins in early fall, often in September. For us Unitarian Universalists in the United States, because of our close ties to academic institutions, the new religious year begins in September as well. And as this new Fellowship year approaches, I am so glad.

It's not as if the Fellowship shut down during the summer. The new Board has been working hard with particular focus on determining what our big areas of emphasis will be for the next five years. The Finance Committee and Administration Team have been working to get a handle on the real costs of our operations. The Landscape and Grounds crew have been keeping our place attractive even during the drought. We've had wonderful Sunday services, like Jeff Thomas' service "Songs in the Key of Life," and Berti and Chris's service on "Building Our Own Theologies." Our Social Action folks have been busy with the Hiroshima presentation by Roy Tomashiro and with the Lantern Ceremony on Klop Lake.

But our programs and activities start in earnest in the fall and it is exciting to be part of the returning energy. Our Fellowship theme for this year is "Building Beloved Community," and I think the Board chose well. That theme will call us to look at our relationships and our support of one another as we experience Fellowship life together. And it will also call us to look at how we build "Beloved Community" in the world around us. Martin Luther King Jr. said that his ultimate goal was not just "justice." It was not just the realization of "rights" for black people. His goal ultimately was reconciliation between all of us and the creation of a "Beloved Community" here on earth.

I am glad to be joining together with you this year and we all join together with Dr. King, in working to make his vision a reality.

Yours on the journey -  ${\it Bryam}$ 

## **Becoming a Member**

If you are ready to become a member of HUUF, please talk to a greeter and we can schedule a time during the week for you to sign the Membership Book. There is a pamphlet available in the lobby which explains some of the details of becoming a member. We would love to have you join us when you are ready.

Submitted by Awanna Kalal

## **Demystifying the Endowment Fund**

Many HUUF members may not be aware that we have an Endowment Fund set aside of member donations. The purpose of this Endowment Fund is to build up an equity that can be used in the future for special project needs. This reserve fund was established by Bob Botley and David Davis and approved by the HUUF membership on March 6, 2004.

The intention of the fund is to build up an equity of reserve funds from member donations until the account exceeds a value of \$100,000. Once that threshold has been exceeded, proposals for up to 4% of the total value of the Endowment Fund can be submitted for the funding of special capital projects and other special needs. Examples of fund uses include: special one-time projects connected with buildings and grounds, religious education, social outreach, community service, and loans to the fellowship. The account is not to be used for supplementing ordinary annual operating expenses when there is a shortfall in income. These proposals can be submitted to an Endowment Fund Committee of 3 HUUF members who oversee the Endowment Fund. Currently the Endowment Fund Committee consists of Sue Lee Mossman (Chairperson), Ann King (Treasurer), and Howard Stauffer (Secretary) (replacing Brad Morin who previously served).

Since its establishment, various HUUF members have contributed donations, typically of several thousand dollars each. These donations have built up a current equity for the fund of \$47,708.85 as of this July 1, 2015. The fund is held by Charles Schwab and conservatively managed by Mercer Advisors with an allocation of approximately 50% fixed income bond funds and the remainder in diversely invested equities, of which 40% is in international equities. Since its inception the fund has grown by an average annual positive return of 7.31%.

Members are encouraged to consider donating to the fund, either presently or as part of your estate planning. Examples of types of donations include charitable bequests from one's estate, charitable annuities, charitable remainder trusts, and endowment funds. Most have tax advantages. Questions can be addressed to Ann King or Howard Stauffer of the Endowment Fund Committee or to members of the Planned Giving Committee (Jeff Knapp, Chairperson, 707-407-6756).

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Submitted by Howard Stauffer

## **Stewardship Education Committee**

"The role of your Stewardship Education Committee is to create the climate that will enable you to make charitable giving a meaningful part of your life, in the fellowship and in your day-to-day lives. Our goal is to provide enlightening examples from our faith and others, to help you deepen your spiritual lives, and for all of us to search our hearts about becoming generous people.

Adapted from Creating Congregations of Generous People by Michael Durall.

The members of your SEC are: Kate McClain, Richard Kossow, Margot Julian, Ruth Broderick, Barbara Barratt and Debi Cooper.
Submitted by the Stewardship Education Committee

#### **Notes For the News**

**Returning to Two Services!** – Sunday September 20 we are returning to two services. The first will be at 9 AM. There will be child care but no Religious Education for children. The second will be at 11AM. There will be Religious Education for children and, often, the choir. Early service or second service, we want you here!

**Setting Up for Services! –** This year in an effort to cut our costs, we are going to try to do set up for services ourselves. We are going to try not to hire stewards, but to have the setting up and closing up done by volunteers. Saturday September 5 at 11 AM we will have a Training for Setting Up for Services! The Rev. Jessup will initiate all attendees into the sacred mysteries of our sound system, the eternal flame of our chalice (if the oil doesn't run out), the care a feeding of our pebble bowl and more. Come learn the tricks, lend a hand and help us be frugal in a fun and effective way.

#### Adult Religious Education Class – The Many Sources of our UU Faith!

Mondays at 7 PM in the Main Hall – starting Monday October 5. The Rev. Jessup will be facilitating this class. It will focus on the fact that we each support our spirits in slightly different way, and that, as UUs, we have a number of great resources to choose from. We have the freedom to use what we find helpful and not use the rest. And we have the commitment to accept and honor one another in our different tastes, styles and paths. Sign up for this class by calling the office 822-3793. Or by emailing the Rev. Jessup at minister@huuf.org.

Submitted By Reverend Bryan Jessup

## **Board Report**

Your August Board of Trustees meeting heard concerns about adequate communications of governance actions. We invite everyone of you to attend our Board meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, 5:30 at HUUF. A large portion of the decisions are made at the Operations Team meetings (Administration Team or the Program and Ministry Team) held every fourth Tuesday, 5:30 at HUUF. These decisions are often the result of committee recommendations. We welcome your attendance and input.

Additional communications efforts will include newsletter articles, posting of minutes on the foyer and calendaring of committee meetings.

A separate article in this newsletter outlines the Board's work to introduce a process for developing a 5 year plan. Our August Board meeting was largely spent on discussing how to go forward with an all-congregation participation in the planning process. Submitted by Sylvia Shaw

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#### **T'Al CHI With Margy Emerson**

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www.margaretemerson.com or 822-6508.

## **People Column**

Pat McCutcheon will be reading new work and poems from her latest chapbook, Slipped Past Words, at the Booklegger on Friday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m.,

The bookstore is at 402 Second Street in Eureka. Books will be available for sale and signing. We welcome new members John Shaefer, Tamara McFarland and Caitlin Bair. Please take a few minutes to introduce yourself to these folks.

Members Peter Gillis and Octavia Stremple have moved from the area this summer. They are both going to be joining family situations in other states.

Bryan Jessup reports that Eddie's broken ankle has not recovered enough yet for her to rejoin her bowling team, but she is progressing well. They thank all the cooks and visitors who have made live easier this summer.

Phyllis Hilligass is readjusting her life to significant hip pain and reports she is not going to seek surgery.

The Caring Circle thanks the large number of you who have contributed to meals, visits and other life sustaining tasks for our community over the past months. The Caring Circle is currently without a chair, but all requests for assistance can be emailed or phoned to the office where they will be distributed to the Caring Circle.

Submitted by Sylvia Shaw

# **Submitted by The HUUF Nominating Committee Nomination of New Members**

At the October congregational meeting, members will be asked to approve the following slate of nominees to the Nominating Committee for the 2015-2106 year:

#### Susan Allen

Susan Allen was raised in a Unitarian Universalist family in Pasadena, California. Susan joined the Humboldt Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 30 years ago, when, after completing Nursing School in Sacramento she moved to Humboldt to marry HUUF member Scott Allen and have children. The Coast Guard moved them to Alabama, Washington and Marin County but they always returned to Humboldt and HUUF. Locally Susan worked for Hospice and retired from the Humboldt County Health Department in 2012. Susan and Scott have been enjoying their travels and volunteer at a National Park.

Susan lives with her husband Scott and dog Cosmo in Arcata, California.

#### **Thea Gast**

In January of 1961, Jim and I moved from Seattle to Arcata. Not long afterward, I joined the Fellowship. Since that time, I have served as RE teacher and director, board member and president. Committees, too numerous to remember, have kept me involved as member or chair. I now serve on the Membership Committee and sing in the choir.

#### John Moor

John Moor, an elementary-school teacher, and his wife, Kim, were married by a UU minister in 1998. They joined the HUUF fellowship in 2005 when their daughter, Zoe, was 4 years old. They wanted to give her, and later their son, Theo, the opportunity to develop in a supportive community of inquiry. John has been a choir member for several years, and appreciates the intergenerational nature of our HUUF family and our process in fulfilling our aspiration.

## **September Services**

#### Sunday, Sept. 6 - 9 and 11 a.m.

#### Labor Day and Honoring the Gifts We've Been Given – Rev. Bryan Jessup

Every person in the world brings something worthwhile to share. Each of us is responsible for developing the gifts we've been given and for helping to create a world where each one's contributions are honored in a way that allows them to live with dignity.

# Sunday, Sept 13 – 11 a.m. Gathering of the Waters

Every autumn we gather to begin our Fellowship year. Our Fellowship is a blending of many unique families and individuals. Join with us as we share the waters of our lives, pouring into our community bowl. Bring either real or virtual waters to symbolize waters that have shaped you have over the summer. The waters may be tears you have shed, sweat from exertion, a peaceful lake that restored your soul, places you visited, from your home – whatever you experienced. As you pour your water, you may share a 15- to 30-second statement about your water. You'll have a chance to share more fully during the potluck picnic that follows the service. The choir will lead us in song. All are welcome

#### Sunday, Sept. 20 – 9 and 11 a.m. Generosity as a Spiritual Practice – Margot Julian

The mantra of the day in our culture is "not enough." The notion of scarcity is so dominant in our society that it becomes a kind of default setting for our thinking about everything, from the cash in our pockets to the people we love or even the value of our own lives. This mindset of scarcity envelopes us as individuals so completely, we shrink into a cocoon of self-concern, totally blocking out the world and people in our lives. It robs us of the rich texture of life as it is. Only when we open ourselves to love and share our talents and gifts with others do we experience lasting joy.

Margot Julian is a business consultant who has taught financial wellness classes for several years. She is a member of HUUF.

#### Sunday, Sept. 27 – 9 and 11 a.m. Experiencing Beloved Community – Rev. Bryan Jessup

The theme chosen by the HUUF board for the congregation this year is "Building Beloved Community." As we gather together to create health, meaning and depth in our own lives, and as we gather together to help create increasing justice in the world, the support and company of one another is invaluable. Each step of the way we discover that we are not alone.

#### **Kitchen News**

We have new protocols for the use of the kitchen that will promote cleanliness and readiness for subsequent users. On August 30, after the service, there will be a training for kitchen users on use of the equipment. We will be going over the kitchen manual. It includes a cleaning checklist. All groups using the kitchen will be required to appoint a kitchen manager who will be charged with making sure that all people using the kitchen are acting in compliance with the manual. This person would be the last one to leave, ensuring that compost buckets and drains are clean. This will be the first of several trainings. If your committee uses the kitchen prior to meetings you will want to have someone at this training.

Submitted by The Kitchen Committee

## **Social Action Committee Update**

The HUUF Social Action Committee has been a wonderful place to be this summer. We have been, in one way or another, working with the

City of Arcata, Humboldt Buddhist Peace Fellowship, GI Rights Hotline, Shinnyo en, Veterans For Peace, Humboldt Friends Meeting (Quakers), United States Servas, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Affordable Homeless Housing Alternatives (AHHA), True North, and People's Action for Rights and Community (PARC), Methodists, Presbyterians, as well as various local community peace activists.

We have hosted the Golden Rule Peace Ship presentation, an evening with PARC studying the issues around our prison system and solitary confinement, and Roy Tamishiro's remembrance of a life spent in deducating others about the effects of nuclear devastation. Several of us worked for weeks with other groups in making The Lighting of the Lanterns a reality for the 33rd time in Arcata. Some UU's will have carpooled to Hoopa to participate in the True North summit

In September we will host David Walls, a grassroots organiser from Sonoma County, giving a talk on that subject. We will take part in the Humboldt Pride Festival and the Arcata Out of the Darkness Community Walk for Suicide Prevention. We will help raise clothing for Raven, a day sanctuary where homeless kids 14-18 can get a shower, some food, or a clean pair of socks. The Fellowship and AHHA will host Tiny Village Expo, a community event on our own grounds. We will be continuing another year of SAC potlucks, raising funds to help progressive groups continue operating in our area. Hopefully we will continue to attract speakers to educate us on the various issues of our time.

We look forward to increased involvement with other local groups in creating a network of communication and social action in our community and elsewhere. We try to meet on the first Sunday of the month at 12:30 in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome. Please look for information about monthly events on the SAC bulletin board.

Submitted by Chris Chapin

## **Collecting Socks for The Raven Project**

At AHHA's recent general assembly meeting, we heard Allen Lesser's son, Randy, give a presentation about The Raven Project. Raven provides a safe sanctuary during the day for youth, primarily 14-18, who have become homeless. It gives them a safe place to be with others, to get a shower, food, and clothing as needed. It sponsors Girl's Space, Youth Drum Circle, The Art Workshop, Queer Coffee House, and other structured activities to lift the spirits and provide a place of rejuvenation to those who are in need. They have an outreach to bring supplies to the young people who can't come to them. They will arrange a tour of their facility for any who are interested.

The HUUF social action team is attempting to supply the Raven with items for their clothing store. Their number one need for the coming winter is socks. Any contributions of this item would be greatly appreciated. We will have a marked collection box on a table in front of Fellowship Hall on Aug. 30 and Sept. 6, 13, and 20th before the service.

Thank you so much for anything you can contribute. To find out more about The Raven Project, go to "The Raven Project Eureka CA" on any network search engine.

Submitted by Chris Chapin

## **Religious Education**

Welcome back to another year in Religious Education! My intention is that we will continue on our transformative path, building on last year's goals and accomplishments to create new opportunities to support one another, share our spiritual journey and provide a fun and nurturing environment for children and families to grow together in beloved community.

Teaching volunteers this year are returning teachers Trisha Sanders-Preschool and Judy Rishel-Kdg-2nd grade. New to teaching staff, but not to our Cooperative, are Cathie Shermer, a teacher during the week as well, who will leave our RE Committee to teach the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade class and our own Navarra Carr has returned to become our new Teen Director.

Jennifer Mager, our Childcare Coordinator, will be on maternity leave the next three months. We wish her well in giving birth to her daughter. Our Interim Childcare Coordinator will be Celia Haro, a graduate of HSU in Child Development and who works for Yurok Head Start during the week. If you need to schedule childcare for Fellowship events, please remember to give her two weeks notice. You can reach her @ ch186@humboldt.edu or 213-344-6938.

## September RE Schedule

#### September 13

Join our congregation in our early ritual of Gathering of Waters in the sanctuary. Bring water (real or pretend) from your travels. Childcare will be available as well.

#### September 20

Religious Education begins again!

Children will return to their classes to share their vacation experiences and reconnect with friends and teachers.

#### September 27

Social Action Sunday

We will gather together to glean at Redwood Roots farm to give to our local food bank. This is another yearly tradition which is both fun to do and helpful to those in need of food. Submitted by Jillian Mooney

## **Financial Peace University**

Financial stress leads to spiritual impoverishment and tears families apart. We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University will help you create that plan. It's not magic; it's common sense and telling your money where to go instead of wondering where it went. You tailor your plan to your family. Your numbers remain private. You work your plan in a supportive group.

Nine sessions cover these topics: Super Saving, Relating with Money, Cash Flow Planning, Dumping Debt, Buyer Beware, The Role of Insurance, Retirement and College Planning, Real Estate and Mortgages, and The Great Misunderstanding. The course is taught on video by Dave Ramsey; the group facilitator is Margot Julian. The \$93 fee for a single or a couple includes the book, The Complete Guide to Money, audio CDs of all lessons, a wallet, a workbook, access to online resources and other tools.

Classes meet 7:00-9:00pm on Tuesdays, September 22 to November 17, 2015 at the Fellowship. A preview and registration session will be held Tuesday, September 15 at 7:00pm. For more information contact Margot Julian at 442-2770 or <a href="margoteka@aol.com">margoteka@aol.com</a>. Submitted by Margot Julian

#### **Letter to the Congregation**

#### Our Five Year Vision: PLEASE READ!

Your Board of Trustees held a June workshop with a main topic of exploring our Vision for the next five years. We came away enthused and excited by the possibilities, and we want to share them with you!

As you'll see, we dealt with specific ideas, as well as our "dreams". To assure practical results for our Vision plan, we carefully considered our resources of "human energy" as well as our financial resources, and we are certain that our visioning is both inspiring and do-able. We want to engage all of us in more fully developing the ideas during our Congregational meeting on October 11, (at 12:30) and beyond. This is our yearlong project!

Here's a summary of where we think we should focus our efforts and resources in the next five years:

**Strengthening with modest growth.** Above all, we want to strengthen our bond of Fellowship. We want our UU values to shine out, to encourage and strengthen our own congregation as well as our larger community, and we want all of our plans to reflect that commitment. Rather than focusing on major growth in numbers, we prefer modest growth with just such strengthening.

**RE** as top priority. We unanimously felt that our Religious Education Program, including Childrens' and Adult RE, is primary to our mission, and should be strengthened with greatly enhanced communication and creative participation among all members. Classes, nature exploration, speaker programs, music, outreach, special topic study . . . (add your ideas!)

**Physical plant to keep us strong.** When we carefully considered our resources of energy and financial strength in the light of funding new physical structures, we concluded that new construction is neither feasible nor the place to best focus our efforts to strengthen our community. Instead, we recognized the need to maintain and improve the precious legacy of our physical infrastructure with projects such as improving our parking lot and entrance road safety, as well as maintaining and developing our grounds and gardens. We very much like an idea for having the foyer expansion project act as a focal point for a campus-like linking of the main building patio with a connecting walkway and patio for the RE center.

**Focused community social justice.** We want to energize our congregation around a focused social justice goal, one that has a role for all members, from youngest to most senior. Whether it be hands-on service to elders, youth, or a special community project, we spoke of this focus becoming our trademark in our larger community. All of us will, together, decide the specific project(s)!

**Financial strengthening.** We recognized that fundraising is crucial in helping us reach specific goals. We will suggest ways to organize our efforts to optimize participation, considering carefully the overall impact on our programs and "human energy", and to limit fundraising to sustainable levels that will encourage socializing and community building at enjoyable events. In general, we preferred rental income over fundraising events for providing stable income. With our policy of rebuilding our financial reserves, we are confident that we can achieve our vision for the next five years and beyond. We are confident that we have the energy for the hard work of planning and achieving meaningful positive results for our Fellowship, our Community!

Please be prepared to add your thoughts and ideas! submitted by Barbara Madaras



#### **Member Bio**

Born in Maine, I was the adored princess with two older brothers. I remember being astonished to find out the first day in grade school that I was not a real princess and had to stand in line like everyone else.

Family life was chaotic but happy. We moved eight times and after numerous expulsions for heresy I was finally graduated from St. Mary'sDominican Academy in New Orleans. Then came LSU, marriage, four children, a divorce and eight grandchildren.

My "bucket list" of achievements includes a road trip I took seven years ago. I was just taking a one day drive up the coast to Oregon, kept going toMaine and was on the road for four months with no map, clothes, luggage, or money. It was an empowering experience.

My "ex" and I moved twelve times, which leads to forming shallow relationships as a coping mechanism for the pain of saying goodbye. I've been at HUUF for 20 years and am enjoying deep, loving friendships for the first time in my life. The circle of love and commitment to each other here at HUUF is such a treasure. Nancy Cook

#### Member bio

John grew up in a Chicago suburb, attending Congregational church through high school. He attended Oberlin and MIT, studying physics and engineering.

The draft coerced him into the Air Force reserve, which fortunately ignored him during Vietnam. He worked in electronics and electric power, and after six months employment at a weapons lab joined the Peace Corps and taught engineering in El Salvador. Seeing the US influence in the third world

Republican and came back enlightened. He married in California and has two children. John taught at San Jose State while earning a PhD at Stanford. By 1985 he found his professional calling in solar power, which has fascinated him ever since. After divorce he and his ex arranged a year-on, year-off arrangement so that each was a single parent every other year, and in the same neighborhood. Those were challenging and rewarding years, with soccer, camping, skiing, lice, sleepovers, and a fourmonth stay in Bolivia. John and his ex are still friends; they have five grandchildren, in Ohio and Santa Rosa.

was an epiphany; John went overseas as a

John moved to Arcata in 2000 after decades in the Bay Area and has been involved in peace issues, renewable energy, and political campaigns. Most recently he's committed to opposing climate change, so he doesn't plan to be bored.



## Art at the Fellowship

Michael Harris is a local landscape photographer. We both do landscapes but his current work is expressionist (although he started with traditional black and white). My work is more documentary. We did a workshop this summer on landscape photography that was offered by the city of Arcata. We focused on the creative process rather than technical aspects. We are both are showing local landscapes; Michael's work centers on Arcata Marsh while mine features various local coastal landscapes. Submitted by Cheryl Rau

## All Fellowship POTLUCK Picnic and SQUASH RACES

When Sunday September 13 after the 'Gathering of the Waters' service

Where: Here at the Fellowship Who: Everyone - young and old

Let's celebrate our loving community by a fun filled potluck picnic here at the Fellowship. In addition to enjoying each other's cooking and catching up with what's been happening over the summer, we'll also have the first annual HUUF squash race.

POTLUCK PICNIC: Bring your prepared dish to the kitchen before the service. DO NOT plan on cooking or preparing your dish after arrival. We can plug in crock-pots and keep a limited number of dishes in the oven on warm during the service. There is refrigerator space. Assistance in setting up the outside before and after the service AND cleaning up afterwards would be greatly appreciated.

SQUASH RACES: We will set up a ramp and run heats like a soap box derby. However, our race cars will be oversized squashes with axles and wheels. You are invited to make your own 'race car' at home and decorate it any way you wish OR you can use the supplies that we will have on hand to quickly construct one at HUUF. Hopefully, any child wanting to participate will have an adult willing to assist.

Depending on the interest, we might have 'classes' Like: Adult, Child, Classiest, Weirdest, etc. There will be prizes.

Questions: Berti Welty Community Building 707 476-0654 bertijo@humboldt1.com.

Submitted by Berti Welty

#### **Batch Cooking Group**

The Batch Cooking Group is gathering after fellowship on the 13th of September to make Kimchi (korean sauerkraut). Please bring 4 quart-size mason jars, I head of cabbage, 1 bunch of green onions, 4 carrots, 2 daikon radish, head of garlic, chili flakes, and a knob of ginger. Come one, come all!

Contact Caitlin Bair for more info. 707.496.3191

<u>cradlewaves@gmail.com</u> Submitted by Caitlin Bair

## BATTERS UP Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

That's a familiar phrase by now. Mark Saturday, October 3 on your calendar for HUUF's baseball themed Service Auction. The auction is our major funraiser and FUNDraiser, and there are surprises in store.

First, the basic line-up. The doors will open at 3 p.m. for the silent auction with the first bid table closing at 3:45. The remaining tables will close at intermittent times which will be clearly announced. A traditional baseball dinner of burgers, hot dogs, vegetarian alternatives, salad, apple cobbler and all the "fixins" will be served from 5 to 7. Tickets will be sold for dinner: \$10 adult, \$5 child with a \$30 family maximum. A live auction is scheduled for 6 p.m.

Formerly known as the country store, the "Dugout" will be open for the sale of home crafts, baked goods, jams and jellies, and other special items including baseball memorabilia and slightly used children's toys.

The exciting surprise is that when you enter, you will be issued a "bid number" on a 3 x 5 card. When you bid on a service, you simply write your bid number and raise your bid \$1 from the last bidder. You will not know who you are bidding against or who you might be going to dinner with. This will create much interaction among your fellow bidders because you are encouraged to discover each others numbers. It's a new procedure, highly recommended to add to the auction fun and suspense.

At the close of the auction, final tallies will be made and payment may be made with cash or check. Sorry but we are not equipped to process credit or debit cards.

Your immediate help is needed for getting those green donation forms in ASAP but no later than September 8 to be published in the catalog. Put yours in the Cracker Jack box in the foyer or mail to HUUF, P.O. Box 506,Bayside 95524. Extra forms also by the CJ Box Submitted by Joann Thomas

## **October 11th All-Members Election Meeting**

Candidates for elected Fellowship leadership positions are recruited and proposed for election by a three person Nominating Committee. This Committee is itself elected by Members, with the three committee members serving concurrent one year terms. The current Nominating Committee members are Barbara Barratt, Jeff Knapp and Marianne Pennekamp. The Committee's duties include replacing itself by recruiting qualified candidates to serve for the Committee's next 2015-2016 term.

On Sunday, October 11th, at 12:30, the Board of Trustees will conduct an all-Members congregational meeting including:

----Presenting three candidates recommended for election by the outgoing Nominating Committee of Marianne Pennekamp, Barbara Barratt and Jeff Knapp. Biographies of the three candidates are presented below.

----The Board presenting a draft 5 year plan to guide long term planning of the Fellowship's efforts.

The Nominating Committee urges all Members to attend this important meeting, for an election crucial to the Fellowship's governance system, and to review and participate in a vital long range planning process.

Submitted by Jeff Knapp



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