

UU Laramie

news matters

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Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship of Laramie, 1402 Gibbon, Laramie, WY. 82072. 307 745-8874

Services for August:

August 6th, 9 am, Hike with Ken Chestek. We will meet at the Fellowship at 9am and carpool to the Rock Creek trailhead (near Arlington exit of I-80). Wear long pants and bring bug spray! Also, bring a picnic lunch and if possible a folding or camp chair for the lunch after the hike.

August 13th, 10 am, Rev. Leslie Kee will be in the pulpit. There will be a special collection for the Ukrainian families being sponsored by the Prairie UU Church in Parker, Colorado.

August 20th, 10 am, Clean-up Sunday! We will be painting the meeting rooms as well as spiffing up the inside and outside of the Fellowship building. Bring rakes and clippers if you want to work outside, old clothes if you want to join the painting party.

Laramie Zoom Room: Meeting ID: 2907005294 No passcode needed

August 27th, 10 am, Water Communion. This lovely traditional UU ritual marks our coming back together as a Fellowship at the end of summer. Bring water—real or virtual—that symbolizes a meaningful event or experience from your summer. We'll pour our individual contributions into the communal bowl to celebrate our reunion.

Calendar for August:

Board meets August 9th at 5 pm. Program Committee meets August 12th at 5:30pm. Contemplative Yarns meets Saturdays, 1pm at Harbon Park, under the big tree.

Ukrainian Families Fundraiser

Please help support two Ukrainian families of women and children who have recently taken refuge in the USA, sponsored by Prairie UU Church in Parker, CO. While accepting monetary donations of any amount, we are offering a GIVEAWAY DRAWING for a 5-night vacation stay in a family-owned Winter Park, Colorado condo! Entries close August 30, 2023; the winning name will be drawn shortly after. See the linked website for additional details. Thank you for your generous help! https://auctria.events/Support2UkrainianFamilies
If you would like to donate by mail, send to: P.O. Box 1684 Parker, CO 80134. Please add "Attention: Jan Spooner" to the address, and the words "Condo Giveaway" on the memo line of any checks, for bookkeeping purposes. And yes, folks who donate by mail will still be entered in the condo giveaway!

Bulletin Board

The newly elected Board officers are: Linda Meeker, Chair; Robin Chestek, Secretary, David Perry, Treasurer. Members at large are Sara Saulcy and Jeff Lockwood.

There will be a box in the social hall available for donations of hygiene supplies for the Downtown Clinic. Hygiene products needed are: shampoo, conditioner, sunscreen, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, soap, lotion, Vaseline, unopened meds that won't expire for 6 months. [No diapers, food or clothing] ***

Painting the small meeting rooms in the Fellowship building will be part of the Sunday Cleanup on August 20th.

The Board is seeking a volunteer to be the liaison with Family Promise. If you are interested, please contact a Board member.

Rev Leslie Kee—Thoughts for August

It's probably fair to say that summer is a blessing when you live in Wyoming and are a UU. Not only do many of us partake of the beautiful great outdoors, UUFL Sunday programs are tailored around all those important activities that can only happen when the world is green, flowering, accommodating and family and friends are up for getting together! I'm looking forward to convening the August 13 service and sharing our various summer adventures ... see you in church!

***The Downtown Clinic is a non-profit organization that offers free high-quality, integrated health care for uninsured, marginalized, low-income individuals in Albany County. They are seeking hygiene products to share with their clients so that none of them will have to choose between daily needs and healthcare. The clinic accepts supplies including, but not limited to, shampoo, conditioner, sunscreen, toothbrush, tooth paste, floss, soap, lotion, Vaseline, and unopened medications that won't expire for at least six months. They do not accept donations of diapers, food, or clothing. The UUFL Board has voted in favor of putting a box for donations in the fellowship hall, with items be delivered to the Downtown Clinic each month. For questions or comments please contact Linda Meeker.



To reserve the UU Building: Contact David Perry, 307 760-7879, dperry@uwyo.edu. See the current event calendar on the UU website.

Covid Info: Please wear a mask if you are ill or have not been vaccinated; masks are suggested but not required. See UU covid policy on the UUFL website.

Please contact us if you would like to receive the news matters newsletter: check out the UU Laramie website, uularamie.org, and our UUFL Facebook page.

Robin Chestek [460-9139] and Ken Chestek maintain the Membership database; please contact Ken if you have changed your address or phone number.