



UU Laramie news matters July, 2024

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

Services for July

July 7th, 10 am, “Book Roundup” led by Barbara Bogart.

We’ll share our reading choices over the past year and consider the personal pleasures of reading. Bring a book or two you are willing to share for our book swap.

July 14th, 10 am, “We are Our Stories” roundtable discussion led by Jeff Lockwood.

If people are the stories they tell themselves and others of their lives, then memoir is a profound, even deeply spiritual, venture. Of course, writing the story of one’s life is an enormous project, so we’ll start with something smaller. Much smaller. Like 10 words. This Sunday, we’ll craft micro-memoirs based on thematic, focused, provocative prompts revealing some essential aspect of our experience (e.g., career, education, relationships, creative life, spiritual growth, or losses). To whet your appetite, here are some 6-word memoirs gleaned from various sources:

First date. We mate. She’s late.

I still make coffee for two.

He wore dresses. This caused messes.

Must remember: people, gadgets. That order.

July 21st, 10 am, “Service and Potluck Picnic with UU Cheyenne at Vedauwoo”

The service will begin at 10 am at the gazebo, followed by a potluck picnic. Rev Elizabeth Mount of UU Cheyenne will lead the service. Rev. Mount asks, “If you have anyone at your congregation who enjoys drumming, guitar, or other acoustic music and singing, I would really love to collaborate on music for the worship service.” A pre-service hike is also in the works. Stay tuned for details!

July 28th, 10 am, “Snowy Range Hike with Ken Chestek”.

We will do the Libby Creek Trail loop in the Snowy Range. The loop is about 4.1 miles and relatively flat; estimated time to complete the hike is 1 hour, 50 minutes. We will meet at the Fellowship parking lot at 9 am and carpool to the Green Rock Trailhead. Bring a picnic lunch and something to drink for some post-hike nutrition and fellowship! For those who do not wish to hike, Catie Ballard will be at the Fellowship for coffee and conversation at 10am.

Contemplative Yarns meets on Saturdays at 1:15 p.m. at the Fellowship. Please contact Sara Saulcy at s.saulcy@gmail.com for more information. When the weather is nice, we meet at the same time at Harbon Park kitty-corner from the Fellowship.

Calendar for July:

The next Board meeting is on July 10th, 5pm at the Fellowship. The next Program Committee meeting will be on July 18th at 5:15 pm, live/zoom.

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Meeting ID: 2907005294

No passcode needed

Bulletin Board

1) The Board has postponed electing officers for the coming year until Sara returns from her Caribbean cruise.

2) The Board will meet with the COM at the next Board meeting on the 10th to initiate discussions of potential ministry models going forward.

3) Dan Elliott, one of our designated representatives at GA, has confirmed that the revised version of Article II passed at the UUA General Assembly.

Laramie/Casper Camping Opportunity

Dear Beloved Friends and Allies,

You and your families are invited to a family-friendly, fun campout hosted by the Unitarian Universalist Community of Casper (UU Casper)! The emphasis of this event is on building connections and encouraging joy & celebration. The dates are August 16 – 18.

The campout will take place at Hidden Valley Group Picnic Site, 12 miles east of Laramie and 40 miles west of Cheyenne. More information about the campground can be found on the Forest Service's website: <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/231845>.

Please RSVP as soon as possible, even if your attendance is not 100% certain, and we will include you in future communications. If you have something you'd like to contribute to this group event, please contact us soon. Ways to contribute could include food, firewood, activities, or Sunday morning inspiration. We hope to hear from you by the end of May!

RSVP here: <https://uucasper.org/events/uu-family-campout-2024/>

Sincerely,

Membership Committee, of the Unitarian Universalist Community of Casper

To reserve the UUFL Building: Contact David Perry, 307 760-7879, dperry@uwyo.edu. See the current event calendar on the UUFL website. Covid Info: Please wear a mask if you are ill or have not been vaccinated; masks are suggested but not required. See UUFL 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, **uularامية.org**, and our **UUFL Facebook** page.

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

If you have an item that Caring Committee should be aware of, please contact Jim Erdelyi (Chair) at 307 760-8274. Other Caring members: Ralph Garrett, Robin Chestek, Sara Saulcy can be contacted.