

Odyssey March 2009

Newsletter for the Goodloe Memorial Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Ministerial Musings

Dear Members and Friends of Goodloe:

In the Christian calendar we are in the time called Lent. Lent is the forty days before Easter, and this year Lent began on February 25 for the western church. "Both the eastern and western churches observe Lent but they count the 40 days differently. The western church excludes Sundays (which is celebrated as the day of Christ's resurrection) whereas the eastern church includes them. The churches also start Lent on different days. Western churches start Lent on the 7th Wednesday before Easter Day (called Ash Wednesday). Eastern churches start Lent on the Monday of the 7th week before Easter and end it on the Friday 9 days before Easter. Eastern churches call this period the 'Great Lent'. The last week of Lent is called Holy Week." (http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/holydays/lent_1.shtml)

As a Christian teen and young adult I would often give up sweets for Lent, but the day before Lent began there was always a special sweet treat, a Fastnacht. Actually, the literal translation of that is fast night, but it is what we call the big plump doughnuts made for that day in Pennsylvania Dutch country. Saint Gertrude's Roman Catholic Church in my hometown of Lebanon, PA, makes them as a fundraiser, and people line up around the block to get their dozen or dozens.

Because all meat products, including lard, were given up for the whole of Lent, the Tuesday before it began was often a day to make fried foods like doughnuts. According to the British it is also why many English folk make pancakes. "Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fats and milk in the house with just the addition of flour."

Unitarian Universalists have no liturgical calendar of feast days and fasts, but one of the study resolutions chosen by our General Assembly for this year is on Ethical Eating. (<http://www.uua.org/socialjustice/issuesprocess/currentissues/ethicaleating/index.shtml>). As the study guide notes, "Ethical Eating: Food and Environmental Justice" is personal in nature

(involving our free choices of what we put in our own bodies) and global in reach (with implications for ecosystems, human hunger, social inequity, animal welfare, and climate change)."

I would like to suggest then that we borrow the Christian time of Lent not to fast but to consider our food choices for all the year. For the study resolution, a list of resources on fair trade, locally grown, humane labeled, organic, and slow food has been compiled. You can find it at http://www.uua.org/documents/washingtonoffice/ethicaleating/consumer_choices.doc.

We give thanks for all this food,
For rest and home and all things good
For wind and rain and sun above,
But most of all for those we love.
Cyn

A Mystic's Journey

Magic – Our congregation has always held unto a bottle of magic potion. We rarely talk about this bottle, and its whereabouts are shrouded in mystery. Earlier in our history, we wanted to grow and did everything to grow. When nothing seemed to be happening, we felt great despair. We looked each other in the eye and sipped from the magic bottle. Then visitors arrived and new families joined our community.

I am hearing stories of more people signing the membership book, and even more families visiting us. I am incredulous at the good news. Since I have been on the road for three consecutive weekends, I want to see it to believe it, and even then it seems like magic.

We don't rely on dogma and we distrust superstition. We don't subscribe to conversion for salvation. We are hard pressed to describe our faith when it is so unlike more traditional religions. Yet, we have a vibrant faith that alters the world. Take Charles for instance.

Charles Darwin is back in the news for discovery of evolution. With curiosity and tenacity, he explored a multitude of life forms as they unfold before our eyes. His willingness to describe the

mysteries of life is revelation. His findings are one example of an open faith unbounded by traditions of conformity.

Talk about tough times. Charles Dickens did. Reflecting on the hardships of his own life, he expounded of the unnecessary harshness of life. His stories of a better life in community are still shaping people in far away lands. What is the source of this open faith with universal message of enduring hope?

Over the years, people tell us we are no good, or what we can't do, or we are condemned to hell. We then live in a prison imposed by others' beliefs. Here in Beloved Community, we are accepted as we are, for who we are. We are free to share our talents and to explore new potential. How we believe - openly, freely, fearlessly - shapes our lives.

Our Green Sanctuary committee contributes to the Bowie Interfaith Green Group blog that received notice in Bowie Star. Our choir joined three other UU choirs in a fantastic evening of musical merriment. Others are organizing social action projects or supporting outreach to community organizing efforts. Some are advocates for new legislation in Maryland, or advisers to teens leading their own conferences. Then there are those gearing up for regional advertising campaign, or a new fundraiser, or adult education class. Let's not forget our teachers, our meditators, and our international lenders (Kiva group).

Irresistible, irrepressible, there is a little Dickens in each of us...making a difference in the world. That uncorked spirit of celebration and courage fills our waking soul. And we look each other in the eye and smile. Blessed Be.-Ken Shilling, President

Around the Church News

New Dream Course Starting March

Would you like to understand the language of your dreams? We spend six years of our life dreaming, yet most of us remember little or nothing of the dream state. We can train ourselves to remember dreams, to use our internal stories to create a more balanced and self-aware state of being. Starting Monday, March 2nd, 7:00 p.m., a group will be meeting on six consecutive Mondays for a dream workshop. Enrollment will be limited to six individuals to create a safe and intimate atmosphere where each person will have an opportunity to share a dream with the group. Please contact Martha Vincek (410.451.3969 or b.vincek@comcast.net) for more information.

Women's Group

Karen Scrivo and Misty Cole will be facilitating the Women's Group in a 10-session UUA Tapestry of Faith Adult Education Course called *Spirit in Practice*. Regular meetings are in the Blue Room on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at **7:30 p.m. (please note the time change)**. March's meetings are the 10th and 24th.

Goodloe Readers

You are invited to join the Goodloe Readers Book Club on the third Thursday of each month at the church at 7:30pm. For more information, please contact John Cole at 301.352.5981 or john.b.cole@gmail.com.

March 19, 2009 *Plan C: Community Survival Strategies for Peak Oil and Climate Change* by Pat Murphy

Goodloe Contributes to the Bowie Food Pantry

I am asking everyone to continue bringing your donations of food (cans, jars, boxes) to leave in our huge, blue collection container. If you somehow overlooked it, it is on the floor to the right of the entrance jutting out a bit from under the table.

The Bowie Food Pantry needs a continual food stream in order to provide the support for the many people out here who would go hungry without the help. We are one of many organizations that tries to contribute on a regular basis.-Sally Raymond

Service Auction Scheduled for Spring 2009

Goodloe will have a Service Auction on May 2, 2009. We rely on the auction to raise money to support our congregation with ministry, education and other programs. We will have food and refreshments. There is a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. We have lots of food and fun. We need everyone in the congregation to volunteer and/or donate. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers in the Goodloe lobby. Volunteer to help make the auction book, bring food, provide or coordinate entertainment, set up and clean up, provide child care, be a cashier. We also need people to donate items or services to be auctioned. Examples of services are taxi service to the airport, a week at your vacation house, pies cooked to order and delivered. Please see Ken Shilling 301-801-8803 to ask questions.

St. Patrick's Day Party

There will be a St. Patrick's Day Party at the church on Saturday March 14th, 2009, 5:00 p.m. until every leaves! Please bring a dish to share (Irish or green food is encouraged), and wear green to celebrate! Lorraine has kindly volunteered to supply some live musical entertainment.

Game Night Continues

Game Night is for anyone who would like to attend. Please RSVP to Betsy Delaney if you would like to get in on the pizza order. The next game night will be March 27th, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Goodloe. There will be a Wii game system for communal use, if you want to find out what all the fuss is about. Be prepared to be humiliated by a five year old. There will be "old fashioned" games as well. If you have questions, please contact Betsy Delaney at 301-345-2369 (home), 301-922-1865 (cell).

Meet New Member: Lisa Jacobus

Lisa will work for shrimp, chocolate and comic books. Her interests include world religions, art history, gardening, sewing, renaissance fairs and role-playing games. She loves history, especially first-hand accounts, and would like to be a librarian someday. She used to be a copy editor and researcher in Washington but now she works as an administrative assistant for a defense contractor.

She lives in Crofton with her five-year old son Benjamin, her husband Don Steinke and a guinea pig named Val. She was a Navy brat but now almost all her family is in Maryland.

Monthly Spiritual/Intellectual Discussion Continues

Join a Spiritual/Intellectual Discussion using lectures on "Emerson, Thoreau and the Transcendentalist Movement" by Professor Ashton Nichols of Dickinson College recorded for The Teaching Company. We will meet at Goodloe at 7:30p.m on the second Friday of each month.

For more information or to discuss the need for a ride or childcare contact: Rev. Cyn Snavelly at RevSnavelly@comcast.net or 240-475-2111.

March 13th- Thoreau, Abolition and John Brown

April 10th - Frederick Douglass

May 8th- Emily Dickinson

June 12th- Walt Whitman

July 10th - Transcendentalism's 19th Century Legacy

August 14th- The Legacy in the Twentieth Century and Beyond

Calls to Action

Goodloe Will Provide Dinner for Warm Nights Shelter

On Friday April 3, Goodloe will serve dinner to the homeless at Village Baptist Church in Bowie as part of the Warm Nights program. The dinner menu includes lasagna, salad, rolls, and dessert. Adult and teen volunteers are needed serve dinner. We also need volunteers to prepare the meal. Both the dinner and conversation are appreciated by everyone present. An email will be sent with specific information in early March. If you have questions or wish to participate, please contact Jackie Lord (snolord@gmail.com or 301-249-7713).

Christmas in April

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Christmas in April day on Saturday April 25, 2009. For many years, Goodloe volunteers have joined thousands of other volunteers to provide home repair services to our elderly, disabled, and/or low-income homeowners in Prince George's County. Volunteers will help one day, on Saturday, April 25 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., rain or shine. Along with general volunteers (to help with yard work, painting, and cleaning), skilled tradespeople are also needed (plumbers, electricians, carpenters, jack-of-all-trades, roofers, etc.). This is a great community service opportunity for both adults and teens (minimum age 14 years old). Come join us and participate in social action for a very good local cause. Sign up sheet and parental permission forms (for teens aged 14-17) are available in the fellowship vestibule.

For more information, please visit www.christmasinaprilpg.org or contact Heidi Kaigler Arseneault of Goodloe at 301-466-1297 or willow9446@yahoo.com.

Bowie Interfaith Green Group (BIGG) Blog

On Monday Nov 24, the Bowie Green Sanctuary Committee met with the St. Matthew's United Methodist Church Environmental Group. One outcome of the meeting was to create a forum where environmental groups from all faiths could exchange "green" information among themselves and with the community. We hope that more congregations will join and the site will continue to grow. Visit the Bowie Interfaith Green Groups Blog at bowie-interfaith-green-groups.blogspot.com

If you have information to contribute, contact Michelle Malta at michellemalta@gmail.com.

Goodloe Endowment Fund Established

The Board of Trustees has established an endowment fund, called The Goodloe Endowment Fund, to which anyone, member or non-member alike, can make honorary or memorial contributions. Contributions to the fund can be made to honor living people for various types of accomplishments, or to memorialize deceased people who are connected directly, or indirectly, with the Goodloe Congregation. The principal in the fund is to accumulate as an endowment. The income earned by the fund may be allowed to accumulate, or it may be used to meet the needs of the Goodloe congregation according to the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to the fund should provide the Financial Officer with a check and a note indicating who is being honored or memorialized, and who is to be notified. The Financial Officer will acknowledge receipt of gifts to the fund by a suitable notice sent to the donor for tax purposes, and by a suitable notice to the honoree (if living), or to the family of the honoree (if deceased). The latter notice will not disclose the amount of the donation, but will identify the donor unless the donor has requested to remain anonymous.-Laird Towle, Secretary, Board of Trustees

Green Tips: GARDENING, GARDENING, GARDENING! By Rob Whitaker

While it is still cold outside right now, it won't be long before Spring is upon us. So now is a good time to begin to plan gardens and landscaping around the house. The benefits of green landscaping and gardening around the house are many, including increase the value of our homes, reducing water run off/pollution, reducing air pollution, reducing noise pollution. In some cases, it can even save energy by shading your home. Gardening and landscaping around our homes can be as simple as a vegetable garden to as intricate as a rain garden. Regardless of the size or complexity of your landscaping, there are many resources available to help us plan and design the right one for each of us. Here are some great resources to check out. Happy Gardening!!!

Mid Atlantic Region Green Landscaping
<http://www.epa.gov/reg3esd1/garden/index.htm>

The Creative Homeowner Series - written by Roger Holmes & Rita Buchanan

Mid-Atlantic Home Landscaping

Home Landscaping the Mid-Atlantic Region

Patuxent Nursery - www.patuxentnursery.com

Homestead Gardens - www.homesteadgardens.com

Goodloe Memorial Kiva Microlending Team Report – February 3, 2009

How to become an international banker for a \$25.00 investment which you get back later. A deal you can't refuse! An investment guaranteed not to appreciate!

We currently have 5 Goodloe families participating on the team. They have contributed \$425 to 17 loans that are still active. However, we have not gained any participants for three months.

Over the past week Kiva as a whole loaned \$796,250 from 11,706 lenders to 2,093 borrowers. That is an average of \$68.02 per lender (the minimum loan contribution is \$25.00, but there is no maximum; clearly, many people lend more than the minimum per loan), and \$380.43 per borrower, i.e., this is the average loan size; a few are as much as \$2,000). They made a loan every 22 seconds. The Goodloe team is averaging \$85.00 per lender [go team!!], and \$25.00 per borrower. We make a new loan about once every week, or every 10,128,160 seconds. We need to work on this! Since the entry level for participating is only \$25.00, we should be able to do much better.

The Goodloe team currently is making microloans in the following countries: Afghanistan, Bolivia, Cambodia, Ghana, Lebanon, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Togo, Uganda, and Viet Nam.

Joining the team is easy and it is completely free until you actually make a loan:

1) Go to www.kiva.org and browse the site, note their list of corporate sponsors, etc., but DO NOT MAKE ANY LOANS.

2) Register as a member and select Goodloe Memorial as your team.

3) Go to LEND and peruse the loan applicants for one that appeals to you. There are usually several hundred to choose from, from all over the world; the site is busiest on weekends when there may only be a few applicants left.

4) Click the "Lend \$25" link and follow the instructions. You will pay via PayPal and a credit card. Your credit card number is only seen by PayPal; it is not seen by any foreign entity.

5) Complete the transaction and you will be an international banker!

Welcome to the Goodloe Memorial Kiva Team! Laird Towle, Captain

Magazine Exchange

Please feel free to leave your gently used magazines in the lobby by the coat closet for other members to read, or take a few yourself!

OpportUunities

Joseph Priestly District Conference

The 2009 JPD Spring Conference will be April 24-25, 2009 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Wilmington, DE. More information and registration can be accessed at www.jpduua.org.

Opportunity for Youth

Calling all 9-12 graders in Anne Arundel, Howard, Montgomery and Prince George's counties for the Breaking the Silence: LGBT and Allies Youth Summit.

Come and listen to a panel made up of your peers, and then break into groups to discuss lgbt issues. Come and experience a true safe space with your friends and allies. Come and enjoy delicious food (lunch and dinner) and a fabulous dance. Come and generate ideas to bring back to organizations that can make change. Free! BUT PLEASE RSVP. We will provide childcare free of charge with reservations.

When: 10 am-9 pm on Saturday, April 18th.

Where: At Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church 9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, Maryland

For more information call Archene at 301-493-8300 x205 or email archene@gmail.com or Stephen Colgan at 240-381-7386 or smcolgan@hotmail.com.

Day of Training for Youth Leaders

We extend an invitation to you and your youth group and youth groups of other faiths whom we hope you will invite and bring with you for a day of training by the Interfaith Youth Core, founded by Eboo Patel.

Saturday, April 18, 2009, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville

9:00-10:00 a.m.- Training for Youth Leaders, Religious Educators, Religious Education and Youth Committees

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-3:30 p.m. – Youth Training, "How to Organize an Interfaith Service-Learning Event"

12:30-1:30 p.m. – lunch provided

4:00-5:00 p.m. Information and Keynote Address for parents and all interested folk

R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, April 1, Suggested donation \$5/person

Questions: Contact Seanan Holland, Intern Minister, sholland@uucr.org, or Deborah Kahn, Director of Religious Education, dkahn@uucr.org.

UU Bed and Breakfast Directory

Do you dream of inexpensive vacation travel to interesting destinations where you can stay in the homes of friendly people who share your ideals and are happy to provide directions and advice for their area?

The UU bed and breakfast directory *UU're Home* (formerly Homecomings) can fulfill your dream. For 29 years, we've provided a network of hosts in the United States (and a few abroad) who enjoy meeting new friends and who are happy to open their home to like-minded people.

You can also become a host and be listed in the directory. Contact us at info@uurehome.com, or at 828-281-3253, and we will gladly send you information about listing your accommodations.

Host listings on the *UU're Home* website at www.UUreHome.com are updated whenever changes are made or new hosts are added. The paper edition is published once a year in April. For a copy of the 2009 directory and a year's access to the website listings, please click on "become a member" to pay by credit card or send a check for \$25 and your e-mail address to *UU're Home*, 43 Vermont Court, Asheville, NC 28806.

Davies Memorial UU Church hosts Seminar

Theme: The Challenges of Single Parents

To be held at Davies Memorial UU Church, 7400

Temple Hill Road, Camp Springs, MD 20748

Saturday, April 11, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Child Care is Provided.

Members of local congregations are invited to participate in this seminar as presenters (see topics below), or regular attendees. Potential presenters who are single parents are especially encouraged to participate. Persons who are not single parents but who have special familiarity with single parenting are also welcome to present.

This seminar is sponsored by the Singles Circle at Davies as an outreach to the larger community. The seminar will be in panel format and each presenter will speak for 20 minutes. A question and answer period follows the presentations. We welcome your input to refine the topics identified or to bring a selected topic into closer alignment with a presenter's specific content.

Nominations Being Accepted for Youth Awards

The JPD Awards Committee is looking forward to receiving nominations for the Outstanding UU, Youth, and Young Adult Awards. The awards are given annually at the JPD Spring Conference to people or groups making an especially significant expression of Unitarian Universalism. UUs are invited to nominate congregation members of all ages for these recognition awards. Awards will be presented during the Celebration Service at the JPD Spring Conference, April 24-25, 2009, in Wilmington, DE.

To make a nomination for an award, please complete the appropriate form (will be posted on Goodloe bulletin board) and return it to the JPD Awards Committee c/o the JPD Office, 100 West 10th Street, Suite 1008, Wilmington, DE 19801. Nominations must be received no later than March 20, 2009.

Dear Faithful Readers,

The time has come for me to pass on the most coveted title of *Odyssey* newsletter editor. The job entails approximately four to six hours of work per month. If you feel it is your calling to contribute to Goodloe by taking over this duty, please contact me. May will be my last newsletter. I would like to train the new editor on the April and May editions, if necessary.

Misty Cole, 301.352.5981 or
playmisty4me@gmail.com

An **Unholy Trinity (Part III)** by Laird Towle will be published as soon as we have space in the *Odyssey*!

Don't Forget!
St. Patrick's Day Party
Saturday, March 14th, 5:00 pm
Please bring a dish to share!



Upcoming Sunday Services

March 1 The Ideal Family Rev. Snavelly

The other day my daughter said something about my son-in-law's sister's brother. I said isn't he his brother too? The answer was "No." My son-in-law and his sister share the same father. The sister and the other young man share the same mother. More and more our families look like this and not like the Cleavers of television. But what our families look like is not as important as the way our families are with one another. Love can have many forms.

March 8 Why do Muslims Perform Sulat (Prayer) and Why is it Beneficial for a Non-Muslim to Know?-Khalil Shadeed

People tend to place value on human expressions of Faith without knowledge. Their judgement can be distorted and cause inappropriate responses. Knowledge of this religious obligation for Muslims can enrich our own philosophical value system.

Khalil Shadeed is presently Vice president and co-founder of the Islamic Society of Southern Prince George's County; and Producer on an award winning television program called "The Scholar's Chair."

March 15 What is the Core of Our Faith?

Special Collection UUA Association Sunday this Sunday.

Unitarian Universalists don't have a shared theology or creed. What is at the core of our faith is not dogma but a desire for unlimited community.

The theme this year is Growing Our Spirit, and half of the funds will be used by ministers, religious educators, lay leaders, congregations, and theological schools to develop new lay theological and spiritual education programs. The other half will be divided in thirds with one third designated for developing the excellence of our shared ministry through supporting new UUMA CENTER programs, one third for \$20,000 scholarships going to promising students preparing for our ministry, and one third for the Diversity of Ministry Team's Initiative to support our ministers of color.

March 22 In Quietness- Rev. Snavelly

Sometimes there is more to see and to hear in silence than at the largest, most crowded gathering. What is in the silence may be the whole world.

March 29 Commitment Sunday- To what are we committing our money and our time?-

Rev. Snavelly As we move into our pledge drive for our 2009-2010 congregational year we consider what makes Goodloe a community to which we willingly commit our time and money.

GOODLOE Board Meeting Minutes

– February 3, 2009

Present: Ken Shilling, John Cole, Jackie Lord, Laird Towle, Rev. Cyn Snavelly, Hazel Elbert, Roger Davidson

- 1) The meeting was called to order about 7:40 pm with a reading by Rev. Cyn.
- 2) The minutes of the January Board Meeting were approved as circulated.
- 3) Rev. Cyn has been appointed Secretary of PRISCM.
- 4) Our official membership has been certified as 69, although 2-3 additional members are expected to sign the book this month.
- 5) Betsy Delaney hosted a successful game night with several adults and children attending.
- 6) The Bowie Interfaith Green Group and its new blog were featured in a front page article in the Bowie Star.
- 7) Our checking account stands at about \$1,000. In December our expenses exceeded our income by about \$2,200, although our projected annual loss has dropped to about \$4,000 as of mid year.
- 8) A budgeted payment of \$325 to JPD as “dues” was approved.
- 9) RE reported that Michele Grove will lead teacher training sessions on the new curriculum. These are open to all interested parties, and will be so announced.
- 10) The choir director has indicated that he does not wish to be reappointed. Suggestions for a search committee were made. An announcement of the opening will be made via the usual channels. One candidate has already come forward.
- 11) We need to appoint one of our members to serve on the UUSJ Board. An announcement of the opening will be made via the usual channels.
- 12) Anyone wishing to attend the annual UUSJ conference needs to register promptly.
- 13) A service auction will be held on May 2nd if feasible. The people who have signed up to participate will meet shortly to decide if it is possible, and to work out the details if it is.
- 14) Steve Buckingham has agreed to activate the Ministerial Relations Committee by calling a meeting. The members of the committee are Steve, Lorraine, John C and Nita.

[All that our Policy Manual says about the composition and duties of the Ministerial Relations Committee is the following:]

“Ministerial Relations Committee

One Board of Trustees member, other than the president, shall serve on the Ministerial Relations Committee as the Board Representative. The member shall be appointed by the president and

approved by the Board of Trustees. Composition and operation of the committee is covered separately by the Ministerial Relations Committee Charter dated January 13, 1999.”

[I do not have a copy of that Charter. LCT]

- 15) Ken presented a mid-year review of the budget by accounting for all the known deviations from the expected income and expenses. The net result is that our expected annual deficit will probably be \$4,000 instead of \$16,000.
 - 16) It was decided to hold a special Sunday service for PRISCM, including a special collection. Rev Cyn will also attempt to get a matching grant from UUA. Cyn will also use some budgeted funds to participate in some PRISCM training sessions in March.
 - 17) The board members agreed to review Ken’s revised policy statement on Multiculturalism for discussion at the next board meeting.
 - 18) Jackie was asked to compose a revised statement on inclement weather policy to replace the one currently in our policy manual for action at the next board meeting.
 - 19) It was decided to take a special Association Sunday collection for UUA at some point before 1 July 2009.
 - 20) We are gaining new members at about the same rate we are losing them, and can’t seem to get beyond the “70” barrier.
 - 21) John Cole is still working the website transition.
 - 22) It was agreed to review the status of the Ministerial Relations Committee for discussion next month.
 - 23) There was some discussion of the tensions that can arise in the congregation and how to deal with them. There seemed to be consensus that these were issues for the Ministerial Relations Committee to monitor.
 - 24) A proposal to sponsor a musical program was considered. It was agreed that it was too financially risky for us to take on at this point.
- The meeting adjourned about 9:30 pm.
Respectfully submitted, Laird Towle, Secretary,
February 4, 2008.

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240.475.2111 (cell)

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If you have changed your address, phone, or email, please let us know at goodloe.memorial@gmail.com or contact Jackie Lord (301) 249-7713 or Nancy Choice (301) 805-5345.

Notice: Lorraine Webb - Maryland Notary
Lorraine Webb, a certified Maryland Notary, offers her services, free of charge, to Goodloe Memorial members and friends. If you would like to utilize her notary services, contact her: (301) 218-1516 or lacey33@verizon.net.

Please Buy Giant Scrip

Use scrip as cash at Giant Food Stores.

Goodloe makes 5% to 10% each time you shop.

Contact Deon Merene (240) 678-0262.

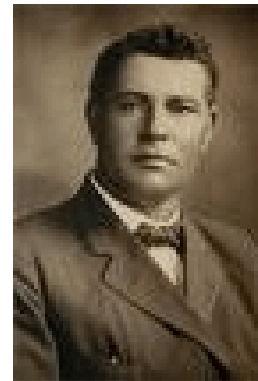
There is no additional cost to purchase Giant Scrip. Use the scrip like a gift card at the check out line.

Deadline for Next Odyssey:

March 15th, 2009

**Please email submissions to
goodloe.newsletter@gmail.com.**

**Goodloe Memorial Unitarian Universalist
Congregation** is named for Don Speed Smith Goodloe, first principal of Maryland Normal and Industrial School, Bowie



Goodloe Memorial Unitarian Universalist Congregation Calendar March 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30 am Service: The Ideal Family - Rev. Snavelly Worship Committee	2 7:00 pm Dream Group (Martha Vincek)	3 7:30 pm Board of Directors (Ken Shilling)	4 7:30-9pm Choir Practice (Dick Wobus)	5	6 7:30- 9p.m. Drumming from the Heart (Ken Shilling)	7
8 10:30 am Service: Why do Muslims Perform Sulat (Prayer) -Khalil Shadeed Second Sunday Potluck (Marlene Towle) RE Committee	9 7:00 pm Dream Group (Martha Vincek)	10 7:15 pm Meditation Group (Tom Brenner) 7:30 pm Women's Group (Misty Cole)	11 7:30-9pm Choir Practice (Dick Wobus)	12	13 7:30 p.m. Transcendentalists (Cyn Snavelly)	14 5 pm 'til St. Patrick's Day Party (Potluck) (Alicia Simon)
15 10:30 am Service: What is the Core of Our Faith? - Rev. Snavelly	16 7:00 pm Dream Group (Martha Vincek) Odyssey Deadline	17 7:15 p.m. Spanish Group (Tom Brenner)	18 7:30-9pm Choir Practice (Dick Wobus)	19 7:30-9:00 pm Goodloe Readers (John Cole)	20	21
22 10:30 am Service: In Quietness -Rev. Snavelly	23 7:00 pm Dream Group (Martha Vincek)	24 7:15 pm Meditation Group (Tom Brenner) 7:30 pm Women's Group (Misty Cole)	25 7:30-9pm Choir Practice (Dick Wobus)	26 7:30 pm Goodloe Green Sanctuary Committee (Rob Whitaker)	27 7:00 pm Game Night (Betsy Delaney)	28
29 10:30 am Service: Commitment Sunday -Rev. Snavelly After Church Buffet at New China (Tom Brenner)	30 7:00 pm Dream Group (Martha Vincek)	31				

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