



Oaklandon Unitarian Universalist Newsletter

June—July 2005

To provide a religious environment for persons seeking spiritual insights free of dogma and creed.

Oaklandon Summer Schedule

June 12: Loring Prosser "T-Shirt Sunday—
Wear a Message to Church"

June 19: Loring Prosser "Poetry Sunday—
Bring a Favorite Poem"

June 26: Jack McMahan "Is God
Personal?"

July 3: (Socrates Café) Loring Prosser "Who
Is the True Patriot?"

July 10: Melanie Johnson "Reflections on a
Trip to Madagascar"

July 17: Gordon Hart "Energy: What's
Next?"

July 24: Loring Prosser & Steve Tilden
"Report from General Assembly"

July 31: Jack McMahan "Einstein's Genius:
How He Changed the World"

August 7: (Socrates Café) Jai Khanna
"Hindu Philosophy and Modern Science"

August 14: Jack McMahan "The Religious
Implications of Einstein's Science"

August 21: Jack McMahan "Einstein the
Man"



Some of this year's new members at Oaklandon UU Church: (from left) Greg Porter, Mary Horne-Porter, Bonnie May, Paul May, Janna Shisler, Kay Shisler, Brittany Cohen and Marsha Tilden. Moderator Steve Tilden and Rev. Loring Prosser presented the group.



Oaklandon recognized the 2005-06 Board officers on June 5: (from left) Joe Kirkham, Steve Tilden, Steve Viehweg, Gordon Hart and Tamara Brown. Judy Kirkham, Jack McMahan and David Wing also serve on the new Board.

From the Minister's Desk

June 2005

The purpose of the Unitarian Universalist Church is to give and receive gifts that endure.

1. The gift of encouragement and listening. Mention appropriate superior qualities or deeds done well right in front of the other person.
2. The gift of constructive criticism. This should generally be done in private. Fatigue can lead to inappropriate criticism.
3. The gift of consideration. Put yourself in the other person's shoes, thus demonstrating your genuine understanding of the other's point of view.
4. The gift of gratitude. The words "thank you" carry an especially positive vibration and resonance.
5. The gift of inspiration. Plant seeds of courage and action in the other person's heart. Help them to strive for good accomplishment and lasting satisfaction.
6. The gift of boundaries. Boundaries are a necessary part of life. The parents who set reasonable boundaries for the child is doing that child a favor that will last a lifetime. Joy, attention, and boundaries are not incompatible.

The purpose of this place is to explore these great themes, and others, in free religious fellowship. From the June 5, 2005, sermon.

We are pleased to recognize the members who have signed the membership book in the past year:

Marsha Tilden, Janna Shisler, Kay Shisler, Paul May, Bonnie May, Brittany Cohen, Jilly Carter, Mary Horne-Porter, and Greg Porter.

Steve Tilden, Marsha Tilden, and I will be attending the UUA General Assembly in Ft. Worth, Texas, June 21-28.

See you in church, Loring

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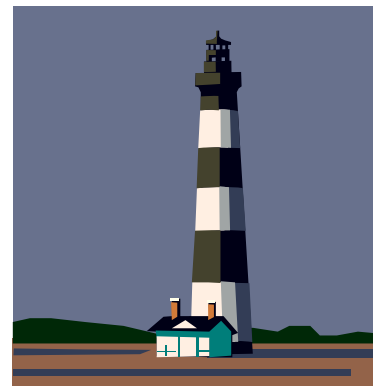
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Childcare Will Be Provided This Summer

As a service to all the moms and dads who visit on Sunday mornings, Oaklandon's Brittany Windsor and Sydney Brown will be available throughout the summer season for babysitting and activities to entertain the younger set.



Have a great summer!

Oaklandon Calendar
(Sunday service at 10:30 am)

Evensong II: *The last meeting will be on Thursday, June 17, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.*

Socrates Café & Service for Heretics: *Will meet on July 3 and August 7 starting at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall.*

Board Meeting: *Sunday, July 10, at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.*

Upcoming Sermon Topics:
(See page 1)

Meditation Group: *Open chant and meditation is held Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Meditation classes meet on Wednesday nights. For information, call Mary Horne-Porter at 679-6620, or (317) 831-7470.*

Piano/Organ/Keyboard Lessons: *John Carey is offering classes at the church. If you are interested in lessons contact him at 773-4668.*



June/July/August Birthdays

Millie Jacobs.....	June 1
Steve Hamilton.....	June 10
Donna Wing.....	June 13
Bryce Viehweg.....	June 13
Greg Porter.....	July 6
Gary Brown.....	July 14
Liza Cohen.....	July 20
Jana Shisler.....	August 8
Dan Castillo.....	August 10
Claire Castillo.....	August 11
Charlie Rasmussen.....	August 26

Oaklandon Makes Connections Through Arts and Crafts on Mother's Day



IU's Kathy Gilbert discussed ways in which arts and crafts help people express life's emotional issues.



Members Mary Horne-Porter and Marjorie Hart talked about their experiences with arts and crafts.



Mother-daughter art duo Tamara and Sydney Brown also served on the panel.

More Photos....



Member Betty LaFara (right) displayed her arts and crafts during coffee hour following the women's panel discussion on Mother's Day.



T-Shirt Sunday on June 12th was a big hit with a variety of shirts worn by the congregation.