



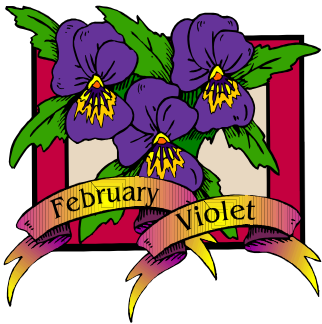
# UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH of GREELEY

## Unifax February 2012



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### **Sunday Services at 10:30 am**

All are welcome!

We provide religious education programs and childcare during the service.

For more information call 970-351-6751

[www.greeleyuuc.org](http://www.greeleyuuc.org)  
We are also on facebook

### Come Sunday Morning...

Service is at 10:30 am

#### **February 5<sup>th</sup> - "The Faith Club"**

**UU Book Club Members**

**Worship Associate: Sarah Vaughn**

A Muslim, a Christian, a Jew- three women Search for Understanding" Discussion will include the crucifixion crisis, and stereotypes of the three religions.

#### **February 12<sup>th</sup> - "Following Our Passions"**

**RE Children and Erika Coan**

**Worship Associate: Sandy Myers**

Pangenerational Service- Young and old, we all have things we love to do. The RE children will demonstrate this by showing and telling us about their own interests. Adults can join in on the fun and share about their passions and interests too.

#### **February 19<sup>th</sup> - "The Great Pilgrimage"**

**Rev. Leah Hart-Landsberg**

**Worship Associate: Kathy Vaughn**

A pilgrimage is more than just a trip or vacation. It's a search of great moral significance, often a journey to a sacred place. Why go on a pilgrimage? What is there to be learned by stepping away from normal daily life? Does pilgrimage help us see our familiar home differently? Come explore the lessons of the annual UU Living Legacy Civil Rights Pilgrimage, a tour of the American South that seeks to re-imagine social possibility in the world today by experiencing the depth of human spirit in the Civil Rights Movement. **\*\*choir performs\*\***

Rev. Leah Hart-Landsberg is Minister of Lifespan Faith Development at the UU Fellowship of Gainesville in North Central Florida. Raised in a UU and Jewish family, she is President of UUs for Jewish Awareness. She graduated from Starr King School for the Ministry in 2009. She lives with her partner Amy, their pet fish and a few stray cats who seem to be attempting to adopt them.

#### **February 26<sup>th</sup> - "Waiting for God to Say 'Ahem' "**

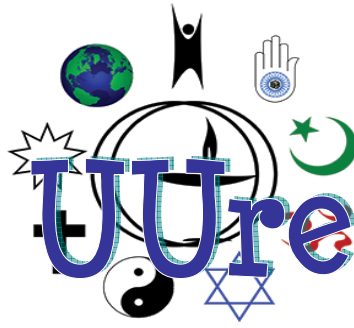
**Paul Gibb**

**Worship Associate: Bob Owens**

Our UU Fourth Principle calls on us to affirm and promote the free and responsible search for truth and meaning. Paul Gibb will examine the great difficulty we encounter in finding that truth and meaning. He'll urge us to appreciate a denomination like ours that gives us the freedom to explore and have our own singular love affair with this crazy, beautiful universe. **\*\*potluck after service\*\***

### Unifax Submissions

Do you need an announcement included in the upcoming Unifax newsletter? Send your submission to: **office\_manager@greeleyuuc.org** by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior! Late submissions may not be printed.



*By Erika Coan, Religious Education Coordinator*

Love is in the air for February! Not only love for our friends and family, but love for ourselves and for the world we live in and all its mystery and wonder. The RE class will be continuing its unit *on Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations*. I also have planned a Valentine craft day on Sunday February 5th. We are going to have an exciting pan-generational service titled: *Following our Passions*, on February 12th. This pan-generational will be open to both youth and adults to sign up for a slot to either perform something or share something they are passionate about. So start thinking of what it is you want to show everyone during this service.

The tween class will be meeting on February 26th and will be continuing the discussion on WWII. The topic will be about Bikini Island and Judi Smith will be reading a story titled "The Bomb". It is such a wonderful opportunity for the tweens to get a complete and "uncensored" version of the devastation of World War II.

So parents these are the big dates to put on your calendar:

February 5th- Valentines Crafts

February 12th- Pan-generational Service

February 26th- tween class.

Have a wonderful February, and if there are any questions, concerns, comments please contact Erika Coan [ecoan@msn.com](mailto:ecoan@msn.com), 970-518-0287

## Adult Religious Education

For the month of February we will continue our look at the current issue of UU World magazine. If you do not receive it you can read it online at [uuworld.org](http://uuworld.org). Just click on current issue! We will also be discussing other topics not in the magazine so get in on the talk and join us Wednesday nights at 7:30pm in the sanctuary! Please see the weekly announcements for any changes. Any questions or topic ideas please call Danelle 970-339-9884

### It Takes A Congregation

Thank You to have all helped make our coffee hour great!

**Diane Culver, Kimberly Park, Alice Woodrum, Kathy Vaughn and Danelle Beauvais. We always need volunteers to bring treats, set up, and clean up afterward, so please be sure to sign up on the clipboard in the foyer. (Guys don't be shy either!) We will train you**



*Namaqua Unitarian Universalist Congregation requests the honor of your presence as they celebrate the installation of:*

*The Reverend Laurel Anne Snyder Liefert*

*Sunday February 26, 2012 at 3pm at Foothills Unitarian Church*

*1815 Yorktown Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80526*

*Reception to follow*

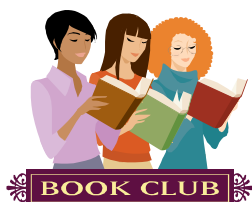
*childcare provided*

*Please RSVP by February 12<sup>th</sup> to [gjcline@comcast.net](mailto:gjcline@comcast.net)*

*\*\*special note\*\* Members of the UUCG choir will be singing with other area UU choirs as part of the service*

### UU Book Club

The UU Book club will meet at 1:00pm on Thursday, Feb 16 at the church. We will be discussing The Prince of Frogtown. Please call Kristina Bain (353-5418) for details.



### *Joys and Sorrows*

We will have Joys & Sorrows in the Worship Service the last Sunday of each month. Please plan to lineup to expedite the process and only speak at the front. (We will bring the mic to you if you have difficulty coming up to the front). We will have the book available every week and your joy and sorrow will be included in the prayer in the service. It is important to remember that joys and sorrows are deep and major life events. Thank you all.

### *Musical Notes*

#### February Choir Rehearsal and Performance Schedule

*Thurs. Feb. 9th 3:45pm rehearsal*

*Thurs. Feb. 16th 3:45pm rehearsal*

*Sunday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> performance*

*\*\*optional rehearsal dates for the installation are scheduled. Questions please contact Alice Woodrum\*\**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**in February**

**Woody Myers 4**  
**Bob Owens 5**  
**Michael Lehman 7**

*We will celebrate all congregation birthdays at the potluck at the end of the month.*

## *Chalice Arts and First Fridays*

### “UNVEILED”

A V-Day art exhibit and silent auction of donated art work will be exhibited here at the church and there will be an open house reception Friday Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5 to 8 pm. This exhibit is a cooperative effort between V-Day and Chalice Arts to benefit SAVA (Sexual Assault Victim's Advocate) of Greeley and V-Day Greeley. Art may contain adult content. Refreshments provided by Cocoa Camellia and Chalice Arts. The silent auction exhibit continues through Feb 26th during several V-Day events. (Performances of The Vagina Monologues will be Friday Feb 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and Saturday Feb 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and 7pm. Please visit their Facebook page (V-Day Greeley) for more details. Open for viewings on Sundays during church at 10:30 am-Noon. Questions or comments about the show may be directed to Mariah at [poetmarawr@yahoo.com](mailto:poetmarawr@yahoo.com)



### *Valentines Day Fun Facts*

- The ancient Romans celebrated the Feast of Lupercalia on February 14th in honor of Juno, the queen of the Roman gods and goddesses. Juno was also the goddess of women and marriage.
- Many believe the 'X' symbol became synonymous with the kiss in medieval times. People who couldn't write their names signed in front of a witness with an 'X.' The 'X' was then kissed to show their sincerity.
- Girls of medieval times ate bizarre foods on St. Valentine's Day to make them dream of their future spouse.
- In the Middle Ages, young men and women drew names from a bowl to see who would be their Valentine. They would wear this name pinned onto their sleeves for one week for everyone to see. This was the origin of the expression "to wear your heart on your sleeve."
- In 1537, England's King Henry VII officially declared February 14th the holiday of St. Valentine's Day.



### FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

If you know of someone who is considering buying or selling a home, please refer them to Hollis. She will donate \$250 to the UU Church of Greeley for every home that closes. She has been selling real estate since 1996. You can find out more about her at [www.GreeleyGreen.com](http://www.GreeleyGreen.com). This is a great time to be a first time home buyer. Please think of friends, family, co-workers, and people in you volunteer groups or social circle, and their adult children. You can reach Hollis at 970-590-3289 or [HollisSellsHomes@comcast.net](mailto:HollisSellsHomes@comcast.net).



## The President's Corner



By Tom Woodrum

### President's Letter, February 2012

Greetings,

As we head into February, we are encouraged to focus on love. Our celebration of St. Valentine's Day brings with it a focus on those meaningful, loving relationships we so cherish. As I think about the whole concept of love I am reminded of the images we are constantly faced with on TV, in print, and from our interactions of life. I see the term "Love" usurped to focus on the emotional and biological aspects of being human. While admittedly potent, we must be willing to look beyond those stereotypes. I believe we need to be a little more visionary in our discussions of the whole concept; we need to look carefully at what we mean by love.

I must admit that my own journey, to understand love at all levels, has been guided and misguided by many things. I have had all the normal human urgings to be in "loving" relationships. I have seen the results of "conditional" love based on either what is in it for me or what is my price for my loving attention. On one hand, I have always been coached to be aware of others needs but, early on, was guided by a rather narrow notion of worthiness being the required price. On the other hand, the passage of time has given me the opportunity to admit that the jury is out and may always be inconclusive as to how loving I have been. Being truly loving is always a work in progress.

When I hear the UU mantra, "Standing on the side of love," I sense a profoundly spiritual calling there. There is a calling for a new understanding of worthiness. So many times, our clouded notion of love is one that has strings attached. We think of it as a give and take thing which fulfills a need for worth and acceptance. We many times allow our own discomfort and aversions to keep us from looking deeper into the universal need for nurture and acceptance.

I view our own congregational community as a laboratory for learning the skills needed to be more loving people. We have the opportunity to explore and evaluate what limits our success at being open and accepting. We can do that, knowing that each of us has a stake in making our microcosm work. We can test our limits and learn how to expand those limits. With those experiences under our belts, we can more fully extend that ray of hope and caring to the world out there. We can begin to break down our own limits and truly love all the people of the world.

I hope you have a blessed February and find your own comfort and nurturing both inside and outside our church home.

In faith and love to you all,  
Tom

F) = Foyer (S) = Sanctuary (M) = Meeting Room (OS) = Off-Site (**Bold**) = UU Event

## FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1  AA 7pm (M)	2  NA 7pm (M)	3  Chalice Arts and First Fridays 6-8pm (F&S)  AA 7pm (M)	4  V-Day Rehearsal 3-5pm (S)
5  <i>10:30am Service:</i>  "The Faith Club" UU Book Club	6  AA 7pm (M)	7  Chalice Arts Meeting 9:30am (F&S)  V-Day Rehearsal 6:30pm (S)	8  Chalice Arts 2pm  Adult RE 7:30 pm (S)  AA 7pm (M)	9  Membership Committee 9:30am (M)  Mah-Jongg 12:40pm (F)  Choir Rehearsal 3:45pm (S)  NA 7pm (M)	10  AA 7pm (M)	11  V-Day Rehearsal 3-5pm (S)
12  <i>10:30am Service:</i>  "Following Our Passions" Pangenerational	13  AA 7pm (M)	14  V-Day Rehearsal 6:30pm (S)	15  Adult RE 7:30 pm (S)  AA 7pm (M)	16  Mah-Jongg 12:40pm (M)  UU Book Club 1pm (M)  Choir Rehearsal 3:45pm (S)  NA 7pm (M)	17  V-Day Performance 7pm (F & S)  AA 7pm (M)	18  V-Day Performances 2pm and 7pm (F & S)
19  <i>10:30am Service:</i>  "The Great Pilgrimage" Rev. Leah Hart- Landsberg  Board Meeting 8:30am (S)	20  AA 7pm (M)	21	22  Adult RE 7:30 pm (S)  AA 7pm (M)	23  Mah-Jongg 12:40pm(M)  Choir Rehearsal 3:45pm (S)  NA 7pm (M)	24  AA 7pm (M)	25
26  <i>10:30am Service:</i>  "Waiting for God to Say 'Ahem' " Paul Gibb **Potluck**	27  AA 7pm (M)	28	29  Adult RE 7:30 pm (S)  AA 7pm (M)			

## Seven Principles

*We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:*

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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**All are Welcome!**



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