

# BRANCHES



#### PAINT BRANCH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Affirming and promoting the inherent dignity and worth of every person since 1954 July 2009

#### SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE – 10:00 am

Followed by Coffee Time and then  $Enrichment\ Hour$  – small group programs 11:45 am – 12:45 pm, except as noted.

#### JULY 5

#### MY COUNTRY, MY COUNTRY

Leo Jones, guest speaker, and Don Henderson, Worship Associate

Early American naval hero Stephen Decatur is often misquoted as saying, "My country, right or wrong." The statement suggests that patriotism means blind and uncritical love of country, and implies that anyone who disagrees with its policies is unpatriotic, a sentiment that has often resulted in a national political environment that stifled dissent and tolerated injustice. Decatur actually said, "[M]y country, may she ever be right, but right or wrong, my country, my country," acknowledging that patriotism does not require that one ignore our nation's flaws, and reflecting the attitude of many victims of injustice who love America even when it fails to live up to its ideals, even when it fails to affirm "the inherent worth and dignity" of every person.

#### **JULY 12**

#### **SMALL CIRCLES, BIG CIRCLE**

Carla Miller, Director of Religious Exploration, Mike Stark and Erin Washburn, Worship Associates,

The Christian Bible states, "In my father's house there are many rooms." While most UUs don't believe Jesus is preparing our own special place in Heaven, people find their own place at Paint Branch in the small circles that minister to each other. Yet all these diverse circles form the big circle that is Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church. We will celebrate what both the small circles and the big circle have meant to our lives.

#### **JULY 19**

#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Jim Flaherty and Cory Carter, guest speakers with Tish Hall, Worship Associate
All Ages Service

Sometimes called the St. Francis service in another faith tradition, this service provides us the opportunity to celebrate the animals with which we share our lives, our affections, and our planet. Also, we will take time to remember animal friends we have cherished in the past. For the safety of all, please bring animals appropriately leashed, crated, or otherwise contained, and/or bring photos, poems, and memories.

**For people with allergies**: We encourage you to take care of yourselves, as you decide if you can attend this service in the Meeting House in comfort and safety.

#### **JULY 26**

#### FINDING OUR WAY THROUGH FAILURE

Bruce Baker and Vanessa Landau, guest speakers, with Shantida, Worship Associate

We make mistakes. We fall short. How do we prevent disappointment, guilt, and fear from undermining our spirit? How do we bridge the gap between our vision and our reality? In this service we will learn practices that help us find the way.

# Monthly Ministers' Article: Roots and Wings

It seems just a short time ago that we met with your board at its retreat last June, to get acquainted and talk about priorities for our interim year together. But in fact it has been a whole year, and already we've held our last service and said our goodbyes. You've called your new minister, Diane Teichert, and have begun the process of building a strong, new, ongoing relationship. In these last weeks, over the summer, we will be handing off our ministerial responsibilities to Diane and offering her what information and help we can so she can get off to a running start. What a wonderful, challenging and yet exciting year it has been for all of us. What a wonderful, challenging and exciting future lies ahead for Paint Branch.

As Diane begins her ministry with you, it's so important that you and she talk together about your goals and priorities. Many of you have told us, for example, how much it has meant to you when we came to services on our off Sundays and to church musical and social events. These are things we enjoy doing, but ministers have only so much time and must balance many other demands on their time. We could, perhaps, do more of these activities because there were two of us, though we tried hard not to set an example that a solo successor would find hard to follow. More important, as interim ministers we were not expected to take time to build strong community roots. And unlike Barbara and Jaco before us, we have not had ongoing denominational commitments. Always, there are choices to make.

Diane will be only one person and she, too, will have to make choices. As she makes them, she will need to know what's most important to you. *Talk with her about this*. It's a particularly fruitful topic for conversation in the time you spend together at the new ministry start-up workshop in the Fall. Unless you tell her, then and throughout her ministry, what your priorities are for her ministry with you, she will have no way to know and you may find yourself with unnecessary disappointments.

As we close out our year together, we want to thank all of you for your warm welcome to Paint Branch, for your trust and your support, and for what you as a congregation have taught us in this, our first venture, about doing interim ministry. We owe a special debt of gratitude to your wonderful staff – to David Chapman as Music Director, and Daniel **Everitt** as Church Administrator, along with his office staff, including Rebecca Birnie and Eleanor Covne, and all the office volunteers. We want to thank Carla Miller as Director of Religious Exploration, her assistant, Penney Hughes, and child care provider **Kamini Wickramaratne**. Our thanks also to Sharon Werth, Director of the Chalice Dancers. There are the Sunday Service managers we've worked with, Chuck Bury, Rich O'Brien, and Jesse Crowley. All of you have made our job so much easier and are such an asset to Paint Branch. As ministers, we are especially aware of how hard all of you work. We thank you.

But we owe thanks as well to the Board, led by **Kate Brett** as chair along with vice chairs **Carol Carter Walker** and **Jonathan Mawdsley**, and to all those who've led or served on committees (especially, this year, the Ministerial Search Committee). A heartfelt thank you to the magnificent Paint Branch choir and to the Chalice Dancers, who have so enriched our Sunday services. If we were to try to list everyone who has contributed to making Paint Branch such a lively and beautiful place, the list would be long indeed – and still be incomplete.

Thank you, one and all. Thank you, Paint Branch. As our ministry takes us elsewhere in the years ahead, we will carry you in our hearts wherever we go. Our blessings on your life ahead together.



### Summer Pastoral Care Needs

Every year, most Unitarian Universalist ministers leave for a month or two of vacation and study leave. But this year feels a little different. The church has said its formal goodbyes to **John and Phyllis,** our interim co-ministers, yet **Diane Teichert**, our new settled minister, will not begin work until August 1.

The good news is that Phyllis and John are still on call for emergencies until August 1. In addition, the lay pastoral care providers--Pastoral Associates--and We Care will be available for support in less urgent matters. Phyllis and John will be out of town for the next six weeks (and on vacation for five of those weeks) so will not be readily available unless the church has a particularly urgent need. Another option available to Paint Branch members is provided by CUUMA (Chesapeake Unitarian Universalist Ministerial Association). That organization compiles a list of local ministers who are available for weddings, memorial services, and pastoral counseling for a fee to be negotiated with the individual minister.

If you need help this summer, please do not hesitate to call the church office, which can work with you to determine who can best respond to your need. Joys and sorrows don't pause for the summer. As a religious community, our commitment is to be there for each other in good times and in bad. May the good times always be right around the corner again for all of us.

#### **ONE MORE THANK YOU**

We want to thank everyone for the lovely farewell reception. We were especially touched by the gift raised in our honor that will be given to the Interfaith Fairness Coalition of Maryland. We both know **Ed Kobee** and **Al Usack**, the founders of that organization well; John served on its Board, and issues of equality for all people are dear to our hearts. The collection is not yet closed, but we understand that \$1,200 has already been raised, a phenomenal response. What a lovely gesture! We thank all of you so much. Our commitment to you is to continue this work wherever we go.

Phyllis Hubbell and John Manwell

# **Board Treasurer Report:**

ere we are, almost at the end of the fiscal year--I am writing in mid-June. At the beginning of the year we budgeted for a loss of \$18,912. That expected loss was reduced to \$4,983 when we refinanced the mortgage. When you refinance a mortgage, you get to skip one month's payment, plus the monthly payments have been reduced by \$800 per month.

As we come down to the end of the year, I have no idea where we will come out. At the end of May we had a surplus of \$14,000 but by mid June we had moved to a loss of \$5,700, with the costs of GA still to come. Such are the swings at the end of the year. Next month I should have final numbers to give you. I am hoping that the income over the next two weeks will exceed the expenses and we will end up with a smaller deficit.

Many of you have responded favorably to the pledge letters the office sent out at the beginning of June. We have received a number of checks to pay off pledges. THANK YOU!!

This year we started with 125 pledge units. Of those, 43 have paid their pledge in full and an additional 24 have actually paid more than they pledged. This is partially offset by 5 people who have paid nothing at all. The other 53 have paid their pledges in part but not completely. I am sure many will get their payments in over the next few weeks.

In dollar terms the total pledged was \$261,252, of which \$239,551.32 has been paid. That is 92%, with two more weeks to go. This is an excellent record. Most churches "discount" their pledges, knowing that they will never collect 100%. After all, life comes along and changes our plans. But there are two more weeks to go and I expect that 92% to increase. **Bill Clarke** tells me that historically 94% is the amount PBUUC collects and it looks as though this is being borne out this year.

I feel that PBUUC is at a new beginning--we will have a new minister and will learn new ways of doing church. We are ready for the next phase in our community life. I look forward to our future with hope and expectation for good things to come. May it be so

## Religious Exploration (RE) News

## by Carla Miller, DRE

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**DRE Office Hours during the summer are very intermittent.** Please call Carla at her home number (301-725-5545) with any questions or concerns, or email her at <a href="mailto:dre@pbuuc.org">dre@pbuuc.org</a>

#### **UPCOMING in RE**

#### Sunday, June 22

• First Day of Summer Fun, multi-age activities for children

#### Friday, August 28 - Sunday, August. 30

All Church Retreat and Youth Gathering

#### Sunday, September 6

• Last Day of Summer Fun, Labor Day weekend

#### Sunday, September. 11

• All Ages Ingathering Service

#### MIGHT YOU LIKE TO TEACH?

We have some teaching and other Religious Exploration volunteer openings left to fill before the beginning of the church year in September. The RE ministry to children and youth is a cooperatively run program of the entire congregation. If you might be interested in participating, we would love to hear from you! Contact DRE Carla Miller at her home phone or via email. Thank you for your interest!

# SIGN UP NOW FOR THE ALL-CHURCH RETREAT, AUG. 28-30, 2009 AT HASHAWHA!



Join friends and fellow Paint Branchers at the **All-Church Retreat in Westminster, MD**, in the lovely wooded setting of the Hashawha Nature Center.

Applications will still be accepted through the summer, although

space is limited. Please check the Meeting House Lobby for applications.

Miller. We welcome your involvement and suggestions! We encourage all interested Paint Branchers to attend the Retreat Planning Meeting during an upcoming Enrichment Hour.

Together we will create a fun, intergenerational community-building weekend for all!

We will bunk in cabins and engage in activities such as crafts, conversation, nature hikes, stargazing, and campfire songs. The bargain price of \$60 per person covers your bunk in one of the communal cabins, Friday dinner, three meals Saturday, and a Sunday morning breakfast. (Children age 4 and under attend for free!)

# NEEDLEWORK EXHIBIT BEING PLANNED FOR NOV./DEC.

Do you have quilting, embroidery, weaving, macrame or something else made of fabric that you would like to share with other Paint Branchers? It does not have to be for sale. We would like to get an idea of who might be interested in this. Please call or email **Deb Rubenstein** at 301 891-2071 or <a href="https://hrsq.ncm.ncg/hrsqs/mail.com">hrrsqs/mail.com</a> or **Jane Trout** at 301 572-2898 or id trout@msn.com.



Responsibility does not only lie with the leaders of our countries or with those who have been appointed or elected to do a particular job. It lies with each of us individually. Peace, for example, starts within each one of us. When we have inner peace, we can be at peace with those around us.

The Dalai Lama

# Diversity/Anti-Racism Transformation Team (DARTT) News & Events

#### INSPIRATION FOR OUR JOURNEY TOWARD WHOLENESS

n June 5-7 the Joseph Priestley District (JPD) hosted a weekend retreat at Murray Grove to provide inspiration for the Journey Toward Wholeness (JTW). Carol Carter Walker and Tricia Most represented Paint Branch. Suzanne Crocket-Jones planned the weekend with mindfulness that lay leaders who are engaged in raising congregational awareness and designing programs to promote transformation in regard to white privilege, racism, and oppression need self-care. Thus, the weekend's activities focused on re-charging our batteries.

We met in small groups of people from different-sized congregations to share ideas about anti-racism efforts, experiences and programs. Congregations listed needs such as ministerial support, JPD training for board members and staff, better publicity of anti-racism activities, sharing film lists, etc. In order to establish more consistent standards, it was decided that a Journey Toward Wholeness Resource Guide will be developed in the next year that will include 1) a history of the Joseph Priestley District's Journey Toward Wholeness movement, 2) an annual calendar of the JTW activities, 3) how-to guidelines for organizing meetings, the annual retreat, and the annual October Racial Justice Conference and 4) guidelines for programs, resources, and problem-solving ideas for congregations of different sizes and situations.

Chuck Wooldridge, our UUA Board trustee, led an interactive workshop to encourage us to balance our individual, relational, and external time in order to be more intentional about living our deepest values. We all need *individual* time to clarify our values and personal life goals, *relational* time during which we are fully present as we engage with another person, and *external* time during which we live our values and work on our goals. He talked about noticing when we occupy ourselves with busy activities that distract us from engaging in mindful individual, relational, or external time.

Om Prakish, the District's Director for Racial and Social Justice, talked about the inner work needed to overcome internalized oppression. He discussed emotional systems theory and emphasized that personal responsibility must be exercised to cancel out systemic racism. Here are some of his inspiring words from his recent monthly column:

"It is time for the human family to move toward the Beloved Community. Now is the hour. It is not time to leave it to the next generation. We have to move.... Working to promote social justice and racial justice is the way this striving looks. It is daring to try to create the world which our parents and their parents' parents worked, struggled and died for so that our children can live in a world where the majority of the people actually feel happy to open their eyes in the morning to meet the new workday.... It is time for us to finally come out of the dark ages of fighting, violence, and narrow-minded fundamentalism, into the light of day where there is liberty and justice for all."

Tricia Most, Co-Chair



### DIVERSITY DIALOGUES: JULY 12 DURING ENRICHMENT HOUR

These monthly sessions offer a chance for personal reflection and discussion on issues of diversity and race in our own lives, our communities, our congregation, and our world. In June the dialogue focused on the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court: the challenges of racism that the nomination has spurred, both about Judge Sotomayor's own commentaries and those rallying against her, the perceived double-standard of some of her critics, and the historic opportunity to appoint the first Hispanic female judge to the Supreme Court. The sessions stand alone, and it is not necessary to commit to participating every month. *(continued on next page)* 

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We welcome all to join in as we engage our minds and our hearts in exploring and sharing both the challenges and the opportunities of personal and collective transformation to embrace diversity in all its forms. What do you have to share? What might you learn? Join us on a journey toward wholeness. The next Diversity Dialogue gathering will be July 12 during Enrichment Hour, starting at 11:45 am.

For more information, contact **Theresa Brown Shute** at tbshute@gmail.com or 301-455-8418, or **Cynthia Robinson** at <a href="mailto:crr@pipeline.com">crr@pipeline.com</a>.

Theresa Brown Shute, co-coordinator

# Social Action Committee (SAC) News and Notes



Our special collection on April 12 for the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) netted \$467. The UUSC "advances human rights and social justice around

the world, partnering with those who confront unjust power structures and mobilizing to challenge oppressive policies." UUSC and its partners have organized for a living wage here in the US, and have supported women's and workers rights in countries from Afghanistan to Kenya, just to give two examples of some of their endeavors.

Esther Nichols, our Crop Walk Coordinator, wrote to thank all who donated to the successful CROP Walk special collection in May. \$781 was collected to fight world hunger. 25% of this special collection goes to Help-by-Phone, a local non-profit organization that provides emergency assistance to our neighbors when they are in need of food. Community pantries often are empty this year due to the combination of increased need and hard economic times. Globally, the supply of rice, a staple of the poor, is in short supply and sold at inflated prices. Hunger is increasingly acute around the world. Thank you for your generous financial help.

Pat Malik. SAC Member

#### UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

In these times of recession, Paint Branchers contributed \$842.50 to the Housing Initiative Partnership (HIP), which prevents evictions and in many other ways helps to prevent homelessness. This local organization is in the forefront of working for decent homes for people in Prince George's County.

Our other two special collections this summer will also address the needs of low income (or no income) people:

- July 12 Beacon House (UU ministry in the inner city)
- August 9 Food and Friends

#### GREEN SANCTUARY TEAM REPORT



The Green Sanctuary Team (GST) met Sunday, June 14, to discuss our progress. Educational efforts are proceeding in the areas of worship, religious exploration and environmental justice. **Becky and** 

Alan Hedin have volunteered to monitor and report on the Paint Branch Creek. Team member Lisa Lincoln was a featured speaker recently at the Washington Ethical Society. The Green Sanctuary Team plans to follow up on Prince George's County single stream recycling and, as always, we invite more people to work with us

Environmental Justice is an area of concentration for our Green Sanctuary application. The UU Ministry for the Earth Environmental Justice believes that environmental justice involves the difficult task of pursuing protection of natural resource systems and the ecological health of human communities; specifically the disadvantaged, oppressed and indigenous communities. Think what that means. It's a tall order. (Paraphrased from the UU-MFE Spring newsletter)

How can you stop waste before it starts? When you shop, how much wrapping will you have to throw away? Do you carry your own bags?

The GST meets the second Sunday every month. Please join us in our pursuit of PBUUC becoming a Green Sanctuary! The next meeting will be during Enrichment Hour on July 12.

# In and Around Paint Branch

# A SPECIAL JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> INTER-DEPENDENCE DAY PICNIC AT PAINT BRANCH



Join us from 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm on our spacious Deck (RE Building if it rains) as we welcome others to Paint Branch for this most important of American holidays. We'll celebrate all that is good and

beautiful about America and affirm our interdependence with all of the world's peoples, our visions for world peace, and our care and concern for our planet and its ecosystems.

Co-hosted by our Paint Branch Social Action Committee and the Network of Spiritual Progressives MD Chapter that meets here, we will focus on positive stories, readings, poems, and songs of the progressive American spirit. Please bring yours to share with us, as we celebrate our country's history and on-going work and progress in civil rights, caring for the earth, the labor movement, peace activities, and other important progressive movements.

This will be the fourth year an Inter-Dependence Day July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration is held in our area – and the first time at Paint Branch. For a special and memorable holiday, come with your family and friends to meet and greet others who will be invited from our nearby neighborhood and from groups such as MD United for Peace and Justice, PeaceAction Montgomery, and nearby UU churches.



Food: it's potluck so please bring food to share. If your last name begins with A-L, bring an entrée, M-R, bring a salad, and S-Z, bring a dessert. Also, for sustainability, please bring your own dishes and utensils. We'll provide soft drinks &

ice. For more information contact **Nancy Boardman** at 301-982-3450.

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# WHAT CAN YOU GIVE TO THIS YEAR'S AUCTION?



Did you know that the PBUUC auction raised over \$20,000 in 2008? The 2009 auction is scheduled for November 14, so mark your calendars for that important date. Now is the time to think about what you can

give so that Auction 2009 will be even more fun to attend and will be as profitable as 2008. Could you lead a group on a nearby trip to a local point of historical interest or host a themed backyard party or dinner? Could you share your love of nature by leading a bird-watching session? For more suggestions and information or to volunteer your time for the auction (we will need YOUR help!), please contact **Jan Montville** at 301-464-6298.

#### WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP

The number of attendees increased by 150% for our June 7 discussion on The Satisfaction and Challenges of Becoming Older. We also learned that we need to pursue this subject at least one more time! The next discussion is scheduled for July 12 during Enrichment Hour. Join us as we further pursue our past, present, and future dreams and desires. Our own Senior expert, **Deb Rubenstein**, will coordinate this discussion. Contact **Alice Tyler** for more information at 301-935-5279 or Bobalice2@msn.com.

### THIRD WEDNESDAY HYATTSVILLE UU LUNCH KLUB (TWEDHUULK) TO LUNCH AT PLATO'S DINER

On Wednesday, July 15, we will go for Greek food again at Plato's. The group meets at 1:00 pm, when the crowds will have thinned out. We are always open to new members who can join us for community and tasty ethnic foods. Plato's is on Route 1 (Baltimore Ave.) south of the University of Maryland campus, just before you come to Applebee's. The diner is on the right as you are driving south. For more information, contact **Marge Owens** at 301-345-1572 or **Larry Lates** at 301-345-6923. No reservations are needed--just come. Everyone is welcome!

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### ETHNIC DINNERS ~ WHAT'S COOKIN' FOR NEXT YEAR?

Ethnic Dinners has a variety of offerings coming up during the 2009-2010 church year -- some you just need to be aware of, some you are invited to make suggestions for, and some for which we invite greater involvement. Get the dates on your calendars NOW!

New Members, your Free Ethnic Dinner coupons are good for any dinner of your choice, but please don't wait until the night of that dinner. Exchange your coupon for a ticket while we are selling them during the 3 Sundays prior to your chosen dinner. That way you'll be included in the number we are expecting.

On October 24 we will finally have the Chilean dinner which had to be cancelled in May, due to scheduling conflicts. This will be only the second South American dinner we've done, so we look forward to some new taste experiences! Tickets will be available starting Oct. 4. Watch for more announcements.

The dinner following that will be on **February 20, 2010**. That theme has not yet been selected. We'll review some of the great suggestions we received for the 50<sup>th</sup> dinner but also remain open to new ones. It could be a repeat of one we did five or more years ago or a country we've never done, as long as it's not similar to Chile. This one should also not be regional USA, because that comes next.

The next date we have on the calendar is May 22, 2010, but we'll use that date *only* if our preferred plans fall through. Those plans are to join forces with **PBUUC's Green Team** to produce a dinner featuring **Maryland**, and because Maryland is all around us, we're making it **Locavore.** To do this right, we want to find a date later in the summer when local produce and, of course, Chesapeake Blue Crabs are fresh and in season, perhaps **late July or early August, 2010**. There are a lot of other great ideas regarding this dinner, and with further planning, ample help and good attendance, this could be The PBUUC Event of next summer. We'd like to hold it earlier in the day to accommodate families with children.

If anyone knows of a good farmers' market or, better yet, grows their own produce at home (or would be willing to for this dinner), let us know. Could the RE kids grow something in the Glen? You can't get more locav ore than that! We are aware of the problems with the decimation of Blue Crab populations in the Bay and don't want to exacerbate the problem.

If you know or can find out if there is a responsible (and affordable) source of crabs we could buy from for this dinner, please let us know. Any other ideas for celebrating the food of Maryland and keeping it green will be welcome! Contact me at 301-805-1218 or buffalo\_gal@verizon.net.

Marilyn Pearl

#### **ART GALLERY NEWS**



Our Art Exhibit in the sanctuary for this summer, from Sunday, July 12 through Sunday, September 6, will be nature photographs by PBUUC member **Shantida** and by **William Hauswald**, an ESOL teacher at Hollywood Elementary School

where Paint Brancher **Robyn McCoy** works. If you are interested in purchasing any of these photographs, please contact the photographers directly. Shantida can be contacted at 301-365-7100. William Hauswald's contact information is not available at this time.

#### PIANO RESTORATION FUND UPDATE

We are thrilled to announce that PBUUC's campaign to raise the significant amount of funds needed for the second and final stage of restoration work for our Mason & Hamlin concert grand piano has made huge progress toward its goal. Donations received on June 14 alone--at the Choir Concert that kicked off the campaign--amounted to over half of the needed funds! In addition, donations had been received before the concert in response to our fundraising campaign letter and checks are still coming in. Details will be made available soon.

While we have not yet reached our goal, the PBUUC Arts Council and Choir Committee would at this time like to send a HUGE THANK YOU to those who have already made generous donations so that we may bring our 100-year-old grand piano to better-thannew condition. Canvassers for the Piano Restoration Fund will be calling members to ask those who have not yet had a chance to give to help us complete this beautiful restoration.

Look to the August issue of *Branches* for an article on the interesting history of Paint Branch's Mason & Hamlin piano, as well as information about a gala concert planned for the fall, when our newly restored piano is returned to the Meeting House.

Julie Dahmer

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