

# UNITARIAN CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER June 1979

### SUNDAY SERVICES

June 3 Dr. Meserve  
June 10 Dr. Meserve  
June 17 Dr. Meserve  
June 24 Dr. Meserve

Dr. Meserve is available to see people; he encourages calling for appointments (244-7124) since he serves a rather large geographic area.

### JULY 1 SERMON

Arthur Dole is professor of psychology at the University of Pennsylvania. The program which Prof. Dole will present with his wife, Marjorie, has to do with their experiences with the Unification Church during the last two years when their daughter has been a member. It will explore some of the problems presented by the cult phenomenon in our society.

### SEXTONS' DUTIES

June 3 Louise Tweedie & Helen Silver  
June 10 & 17 Leonard & Joy Mayo  
June 24 & July 1 Joan Collier & Adé Conroy

### TRUTH & LYING - JUNE 10

The final seminar on Sissela Bok's book, Lying: Moral Choice in Public and Private Life, will be June 10 after the church service, led by Mrs. Ethel Schwalbe.

### WOMEN'S ALLIANCE

At the Women's Alliance annual meeting, Wednesday, May 9, the following officers were elected: Dorothy Berry, president; Augusta Bromley, vice president; Marian Richmond, secretary; Louise Ramsdell, treasurer. The following were elected to committees: Phyllis Canfield & Gertrude Mason, concern; Dorothy Noe & Ruth Royal, program; Emma Wass, publicity; Augusta Bromley, telephone. The three trustees are Clover Morrison, Ruth Royal, and Gail Strout.

### SUMMER SALE JULY 18

The Alliance summer sale will be held Wednesday, July 18, at the church from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Money raised supports the church budget. All interested members of church may contribute toward the following tables: apron, candy, fancy work, food, plants and white elephant.

### TRUSTEES

Trustees for three years are Chris Benedum and Eddie Kamps, while Bob Hilton was elected for one year to complete the term of Lester Wass.

Other trustees whose terms did not expire are Joy Mayo, Betsy Roy, and Gus Crews.

The trustees will meet on Monday, June 4, 7:30 pm at the church.

THE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

The trustees have installed a public address system to assist those with hearing difficulties. It consists of a volume control speaker in the kitchen available for the Sunday school class. For those arriving late, there is another control speaker in the foyer. Two speakers in the sanctuary are placed at various depths of the room. If someone is not hearing well, they should select the areas of amplification. If this doesn't work, let the minister adjust the volume. We need to know. This 20 watt amplifier can be used with

DC (car) or AC power. There is a directional goose-neck microphone as well as a lapel microphone. The minister will be able to speak from the pulpit as well as some 20 feet from it. When the pulpit has been refinished, this system will be permanently located and wires hidden. The cost is slightly over \$200. This is going to be financed outside of the church budget; therefore, a fund raising effort is necessary. Any contributions will be appreciated. It is hoped we ALL will enjoy our services henceforth.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR CHURCH YEAR JUNE 1, 1979 TO MAY 31, 1980

BUDGET & FINANCE

Stan Richmond, Chairperson  
Phil Guy  
Jack Bromley  
Phil Seal

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Joy Mayo, Chairperson  
Louise Ramsdell  
Ray Royal  
Bob Hilton  
Stan Richmond

MEMBERSHIP

Gus Crews, Chairperson  
Ruby Crews  
Doris & Phil Seal  
Phil & Nancy Guy  
Helen Pease

MUSIC

Doris Seal, Chairperson  
Phil Seal, Treasurer  
Gertrude Mason  
Louise Tweedy  
Eleanor Carlson  
Jackie Hilton  
Ethel Schwalbe  
Phyllis Canfield  
Ingrid Luck

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Deborah Cravey, Director

AUDITING

Jack Bromley, Chairperson  
Ray Royal

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Eric Benedum, Chairperson  
Bob Royal  
Lenny Mayo  
Stan Richmond

PUBLICITY

Audrey Moody, Chairperson  
Chris Benedum  
Nancy Guy

FLOWERS

Joanne Richmond, Chairperson

Those who wish to provide flowers for future services, should call Joanne at 667-8932.

The president and minister are ex officio members of all standing committees.

NEWS

Bob and Phyllis Harris will be moving by the first of July. Bob is being assigned to Finland. He will be there a year before his family will join him. Phyllis, Jennifer, and baby Michael will live with Bob's parents in Albuquerque, New Mexico until after the next school year. Jennifer is delighted because her grand father has a ranch with cattle, horses, and a dog.

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Joan Colliers' son, Richard, and family will be with her this summer. He is available to do miscellaneous carpentry, house painting, and odd jobs. Telephone 288-4814.

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Last April there appeared in a local newspaper an interesting article about Doris Seal, who makes and sells quilted vests under the name of Seal Rock Creations. "Mrs. Seal designed a vest with a raised stuffed black spider perched on the shoulder and nine separate webs" throughout the vest. According to the article, the vests will be marketed this summer beginning July 1 at Elsie Fanning's Barn on Sargent Street in Winter Harbor.

DIRECTORY STILL AVAILABLE

The church directory of names and addresses is still available in the foyer. Please pick up your copy, and then check off your name on the list provided.

COMING EVENTS

The 1979 UUA Ferry Beach Summer Institutes held at the denomination's oceanside camp in Saco, Me., lists the following:

- June 30 - July 14 Youth Camp
- June 30 - July 7 Singles I
- June 30 - July 7 Journey to the Year 2011

The 1979 Conference Calendar for Star Island, Isle of Shoals, off Portsmouth, N. H., lists the following:

- June 16-22 Anatomy of a Star. A conference for 18 to 24 year olds.
- June 16-23 Conference on the Arts. An adult conference for appreciating and/or creating works in literature, music, art, and theatre and dance.
- June 23-30 Star Island Institute. A natural history conference for adults to study "The Oceans-- Common Heritage of Mankind?"
- June 23-29 Liberal Religious Youth "Expression and Creativity" the theme for high school age discussion and workshops.
- June 30-July 7 All Star Family Conferences. A seven-day conference with speakers and activities for all members of the family.

MICHIGAN - JUNE 26

Notice of the regular meeting of the General Assembly of the UUA will be convened at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan, on Tuesday, June 26, 1979 at 9 am. If anyone would like to attend, Dr. Meserve has complete information about the program, as well as registration forms.

## An Open Letter

Dear Mr. Carter,

You have many problems to deal with, and you have not asked for my advice. All the same, I thought you might like to hear from somebody who: 1) does not want a job with the U.S. Government; 2) least of all your job; 3) has no axe to grind - political, religious, or social; and 4) wishes you well.

It seems to me that you have three essential questions to confront. They cannot be answered finally, of course, but practical methods of meeting them can be worked out.

The first question is what to do about money, inflation, prices, wages, production, etc. Why not put a lid on prices and wages and profits: fair, firm, and across the board? It's not easy for anybody, but what's going on isn't easy either and only promises to get worse. I think you would find most people would support you and the congressmen who had the nerve to back up such a program. We did it successfully in another national emergency. It could be done again with improved methods and greater justice. As for saving money, try cutting the military. They spend the most, waste the most, and give the least return in terms of useful goods and services.

The second question is what to do about oil and energy generally. Solar energy is the coming thing. One of its most familiar and simplest uses is daylight saving time. The more daylight you save when people can use it, the more energy you save. Extend daylight saving time through November, and start it up again on February 1. Instead of cutting down on the railroads, beef them up. They are a clean, cheap way to move large numbers of goods and people. So is water transportation. Federal research and development are at present more than 60% on the military side and heavily weighted toward oil and nuclear power. Why not try shifting the balance in favor of research in solar, water, tidal, and wind power as well as health, conservation, and improvement of the human and natural environment? I applaud your emphasis on the 55 m.p.h. speed limit and the importance of smaller, less wasteful cars. Don't let Detroit fool you. Those automakers mean that they have not found a way to make a profit without building gas-guzzling monster cars. How odd, when you consider that the Germans, the French, the British, the Swedes, the Japanese, and others have all managed it. Ask them where their vaunted American know-how is. And if they delay and protest any longer, ask them where their patriotism is.

The third question is how to save yourself. If you do any of these things, you will lose some votes: some industries, some unions maybe, the military, and many other people who do not see that this is a time for new scientific and ethical initiatives. You might not be re-elected. But even if you lost, you would change the moral climate of the nation by reminding it that you are a man who really would rather be right. And, Mr. Carter, you might win. Our leaders so often treat the people as if they were incapable of consideration for others, unselfishness, and vision. But sometimes, given a chance to be generous, farsighted, and sane, the people respond with a resounding "yes."

Mr. Carter, I suggest that you give us a chance. Don't bother to answer this. We'll know your answer by what you say and do.

All good wishes,

H.C.M.