# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711 http://uuprairie.org Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, August 2, 2009

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Prelude – "Canned Goods," written and recorded by Greg Brown words are available on your chair

Welcome - Mary Mullen

\*Hymn #56 (Prairie Song Book) - "God Bless the Grass" 7.55 56
Rosemarie Lester, accompanist

Chalice Lighting - Pat Watkins
from the introduction to The Omnivore's Dilemma: a Natural History of Four Meals,
by Michael Pollan

#### **Silent Meditation**

# Joys and Concerns

Presentation: "Thinking About Ethical Eating: Food and Environmental Justice through discussion of Michael Pollan's <u>The Omnivore's Dilemma: a Natural History of Four Meals</u>" led by Heidi Hughes and Mary Mullen

## Offering

Offertory – "Changes," by Phil Ochs Dan Proud & Ruth Calden

#### **Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

#### Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

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# \*Hymn # 277 (SLT) - "When We Wend Homeward" Rosemarie Lester, accompanist

Closing Words – Pat Watkins from the conclusion to <u>The Omnivore's Dilemma: a Natural History of Four Meals</u>, by Michael Pollan

\*Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Many thanks to all who contributed to making this service possible. Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship, and plan to stay for the potluck! People were asked to bring something that fit with our discussion today: a corn based meal as close to the field as possible, an item prepared with foods you caught or grew yourself, or a local, farmer's market based meal.

# **Announcements**

# From your Green Committee

Green News of the Week Prairie UU Society has signed up for Green Power through MG&E, which means that 100% of the electricity we use is generated by wind power. For a mere \$5.86 per month extra, we are reducing our carbon dioxide output by 7.8 tons per year and burning 5,274 pounds less coal. To sign up for green power at home, go online to https://www.mge.com/my/mge/ServiceForms/WindPowerRes.htm or call 252-7117.

Green Tip of the Week Take good care of your refrigerator. Dirty condenser coils lead to higher energy use and higher operating costs. The coils are in the back or underneath and should be cleaned twice a year. Also, make sure the temperature is optimal: 37-40 degrees Fahrenheit for the fridge, 0 degrees Fahrenheit for the freezer.

Book Club Selections On August 23rd after the service, the book club will discuss Harbor Lights by Sheryl Woods. "Kevin O'Brien returned brokenhearted to Chesapeake Shores with his infant son after his wife's death in Iraq.... Mega-talented Sherryl Woods once again allows her readers a glimpse at the O'Brien family of Chesapeake Shores. These characters have become good friends as we delve into their lives and hope for a 'happily ever after' for the entire family." Light reading, though long. The next book is 1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus by Charles C. Mann, which will be discussed after service on September 20th. 385 pages plus 150 pages of appendices, notes, and other reference material. At the Prairie annual retreat at Pine Lake, October 24, tentatively at 10 a.m. the next book to discuss is What Was She Thinking: Notes on a Scandal, a novel by Zoë Heller. "A lonely schoolteacher reveals more than she intends when she records the story of her best friend's affair with a pupil in this sly, insightful novel... What Was She Thinking? is a story of repression and passion, envy and complacence, friendship and loneliness. A complex psychological portrait framed as a wicked satire, it is by turns funny, poignant, and sinister. With it, Zoë Heller surpasses the promise of her critically acclaimed first novel, Everything You Know."

**Humanist Union meets today after service** The Humanist Union will meet today at 12:30 with a panel of representatives from local organizations to talk about strategies for growth in free-thinking groups. The panel will share their experiences, followed by some time for question and answer and brainstorming.

Spanish Speaker's Potluck, Thursday, August 6, at 6:30pm The next Spanish speaker's potluck will be held at the home of Ray Nashold, 5410 Esther Beach Rd, 221-3021. Please call Ray for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information.

**Themed Potluck after service today!** Plan to stay for the potluck! People were asked to bring something that fit with our discussion today: a corn based meal as close to the field as possible, an item prepared with foods you caught or grew yourself, or a local, farmer's market based meal. We are also celebrating one of our member's (Jean Matos) successful sale of her home; and the humanists will join us before their meeting at 12:30.

#### Prairie Calendar

#### Sunday, August 2, 2009

11:30 am - All Society Potluck.

Humanist Union will join the all-society potluck, then meet at 12:30 for a discussion.

#### Tuesday, August 4, 2009

6:00 pm - Long Range Planning Committee meets.

#### Thursday, August 6, 2009

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Ray Nashold.

#### Saturday, August 8, 2009

5:00 pm - Prairie UU Potluck and Party for the Herr-Hoymann Family, Wingra Park.

#### Sunday, August 9, 2009

10:00 am - service - "A Passage to India," presented by Madeline and Reuben Arnold.

11:30 am - Board Meeting. Potluck at 11:30, meeting begins at noon.

#### Thursday, August 13, 2009

6:30 pm - Adult Ed Committee meets.

# Sunday, August 16, 2009

9:00 am - RE Committee meets.

10:00 am - service - "UU General Assembly 2009," presented by Rachel Long and Ingrid West.

#### Wednesday, August 19, 2009

7:00 pm - Caring committee meets.

#### Thursday, August 20, 2009

7:00 pm - Movie Group meets to view "The Cats of Mirikatani."

#### Sunday, August 23, 2009

10:00 am - service - TBA.

11:30 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Harbor Lights by Sheryl Woods.

# Tuesday, August 25, 2009

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

## Sunday, August 30, 2009

RE Year begins