



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF OWENSBORO

TOM HICKS, PRESIDENT

REV. DR. CLAUDIA A. RAMISCH, MINISTER

June 2014 Newsletter

June Activities

02, MON	New Member Class 6:30 pm
04, WED	Caregiver's Lunch 12 n Congregational Life 6 pm Board Meeting 6:30 pm
05, THU	Tai Chi, 6 pm Meditation, 6:30 pm
07, SAT	Habitat Can Collection Reiki Appointments 8am +
12, THU	VOAD @ Logsdon 2:30 pm Tai Chi 6 pm Meditation 6:30 pm
14, SAT	Reiki Share 6 pm
16, MON	New Member Class 6:30
18, WED	Congregational Life 6 pm
19, THU	Tai Chi 6 pm Meditation 6:30 pm
21, SAT	Congregational Workshop 9-12 n
23, MON	New Member Class 6:30
25, WED	Fairness Coalition 6 pm Denounce Torture Lecture 7 pm
26, THU	Tai Chi 6 pm Denounce Torture Prayer Vigil 6:30 pm
27, FRI	Drum Circle 6:30 – 8:30 pm
29, SUN	Potluck after Service Table @Pride Picnic Panther Creek
30, MON	New Member Class 6:30

Denounce Torture Observance

This year Denounce Torture Events are in their 10th year of observance.

On Wednesday, June 25th at 7:00 pm a free public lecture given by Lewatis McNeal, OCTC Associate dean of Student Affairs, on Wednesday. Dr. Aseedu Kalik will speak as a representative of the Islamic Center of Owensboro on Thursday June 26th at 6:30 pm. The topic will be "Cooperation and Hospitality". June 26th is UN International Day in support of Torture Victims.



Rev. Ramisch is on Sabbatical from July 1 to October 11. In case of a pastoral emergency please contact Deanna @270-684-3942 or Peggy @270-685-0924. For general information please contact Tom @ 270-684-1584 and leave a message.



Interfaith Moment: Ramadan

Ramadan begins the evening of Saturday, June 28th. "Ramadan is a month of fasting observed by Muslims, and is considered to be one of the holiest times of the year. It was established as a Holy Month for Muslims after the Quran was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad in 610 CE on the occasion known as Laylat al-Qadr, frequently translated as 'the Night of Power'." (quote from www.huffingtonpost.com)

Fasting

"Fasting is a shield with which a servant protects himself from the fire."

-Ahmad, Saheeh

A Time of Great Blessing

Ramadan is here, Here is Ramadan.
Ramadan is coming, The time that is blessed.
Ramadan is coming, The time we love best.
The month in which the Qur'an was sent;
A time of great blessing in which to repent.
Fasting for Allah is a great Muslim deed;
Controlling desires and Suppressing greed.

- Zeeshan G.

(Poetry from www.beliefnet.com)



Some Events from this past Month:



This Little Light Grant Disbursement Service was held on Sunday May 4. The grant was given to Esther Dunlavy to start a disaster ready shelter for pets and large animals. This allows the family members to move to safety without having to leave their animals behind in an unsafe environment.



UUO Church Yard Sale was held on Saturday May 24. It was both successful and fun. We raised \$274, part of which went to the Oasis domestic violence shelter for women.

"We are committed to being together and to being together in ways that respect our Principles. Our worship and our work exist in finding practical and nurturing ways to govern ourselves and our congregations by living out our commitment to openness, democratic process, human equality, social justice, and personal exploration."

—Melissa Harris-Perry, MSNBC host (Read more from Melissa in [The Unitarian Universalist Pocket Guide](#).)

(From <http://www.uua.org/>)

