



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF OWENSBORO

TOM HICKS, PRESIDENT REV. DR. CLAUDIA A. RAMISCH, MINISTER

DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER



SOUP & STUFF RETURNS

WEDNESDAY, 21 DECEMBER, SOLSTICE NIGHT @ 6 PM

Part potluck, part Stone Soup: You will be assigned one item to bring.

Please bring the specified item so everyone's dietary needs will be met and the table will be full!

QUIET HOUR

I am happy that the Board continues to work on fundraising strategies and plans for further clean-up/ spruce-up of the building. Watch for first details later this month.

As the work on the physical plant continues, I will be offering a **Quiet Hour** once a month to support community-building. The format will be a cross between a Covenant Group and Meditation—so you can expect some conversation and lots of quiet, but not a lot of input. (i.e. It will not be a workshop!) The time and theme will vary each month in hopes that different members can take advantage of it. This month will be *Chillin' for the Holidays* on Saturday, 10 Dec @ 1 pm in the Sanctuary. Hope to see you then, Claudia

DECORATING THE SANCTUARY

Saturday, 3 Dec
@ 2:30 pm
after clean-up from
The BIZbaz, we'll turn
the sanctuary North,
hang lights, and put up
the tree.
Come join us!



TREE DECORATING SERVICE

Sunday, 4 Dec
Please bring an
ornament representing
what you are planting
for the good
of the world.
We'll share the stories
during the service.



ANNUAL COLLECTION OF SOCKS & GLOVES

Socks & gloves are very important to helping folks stay healthy in cold and nasty weather. Every year we collect these for the Salvation Army and St. Benedict's Shelter.

Items for the **Salvation Army** can be any size, but women and children's are especially helpful. They are due to church by Wed., **14 Dec.**

Items for **St. Benedict's Shelter** are for men. Both work socks and dress socks are needed. All kinds of gloves are welcome. They are due to church by Wed., **21 Dec.**



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY!**

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

- 01, THU Home Office, 12:30-3:30pm
BIZbaz, 10am-2pm
- 03, SAT Soup & Salad Lunch, 11:30-1pm
Church Decorating, 2:30pm
- 04, SUN Tree Decorating Service
- 06, TUE Yoga & Meditation, 6pm
- 07, WED Home Office, 12:30-3:30pm
Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- 10, SAT Reiki by Appointment, 8:30am-?
Quiet Hour, 1-2pm
- 13, TUE Yoga & Meditation, 6pm
Interfaith Study, 7pm
- 14, WED Salvation Army items due
- 20, TUE Women Clergy, 12:30pm
Yoga & Meditation, 6pm
- 21, WED Soup & Stuff, 6pm
- 24, SAT Christmas Eve Candlelight, 7pm
- 25, SUN NO SERVICE



FUN WITH MULTIFAITH HOLIDAYS

December may be culturally crazy these days but it also offers us a riot of religious inspiration. This year we have a particularly full calendar since both Mawlid al Nabi and Hanukkah fall in December:

- 8 Dec: Bodhi Day for Buddhists
- 12 Dec: Mawlid al Nabi for Muslims
- 16-24 Dec: Posadas Navidenas for Hispanic Christians
- 20 Dec: International Human Solidarity Day for Humanists
- 21 Dec: Yule for Pagans
- 25 Dec: Christmas for Western Christians
- 25 Dec-1 Jan: Hanukkah for Jews
- 26 Dec: Zarathosht Diso for Zoroastrians
- 26 Dec-1 Jan: 50th Anniversary of Kwanzaa

Good tidings all! Please share your celebration with us!

THANK YOU, EVERYONE, FOR HELP WITH FAITH FEST:
Charlot, Denice, Elaine, Jody, LaDonna, Linda, Maude, Paul, Peggy, Rachael, Rebecca, Richard, Scott, & Tom

THE BIZbaz

(i.e. The BIZARRE BAZAAR
Where you'll find One-Of-A-Kind
& Unique Gift Creations by local artists)



Special Guest:
Arnie Weiner
In Concert
@ 12 noon

Saturday
3 December
10 am - 2 pm

Soup & Salad Lunch
11:30-1 \$8



In this small flame dwells:
the beacon light of lanterns
guiding travelers home;
the warmth of hearth fires
tended through the generations;
the transforming energy of furnaces
and the power and life of our sun.

May these blessings --
warmth and light and life-giving energy --
be kindled in each of us.

Rev. Jean Wahlstrom

Rev. Dr. Claudia Ramisch will be on vacation and visiting her mother, 25-31 Dec. In case of emergency, call Peggy @ 270-685-0924; she'll get in touch with Claudia.