



# Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church  
January 28th, 2018

## **Sharing Our Plate: Partner Church – January 28, February 4th and 11th**

Each month, the Social Justice Ministries Council chooses a justice oriented organization to which we donate half of the cash contributions from the plate. For the next three weeks, that organization will be the Partner Church's. The HUUC seeks to join with our partners in faith in Magyarandrasfalva, Transylvania to exchange the stories of our lives, to learn from one another, to deepen our faith, and to share our understanding and resources in order to help support each other's dreams. Through the Sharing Our Plate donations, we help them make needed repairs and maintenance to keep their house of worship a welcoming place. If you would like 100% of your donation to go to our partner church, please make a check out directly to Partner Church Council.

**Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> *Deeper Than the Skin*** Born three days apart, in Richmond, VA, **Reggie Harris** and **Greg Greenway** are on a pilgrimage together - one that began three decades ago. The racial divisions that are the reality of America started them in two different worlds, but the amazing bonds of music, respect, admiration, and shared vision have brought them together as friends and colleagues. The musical and spiritual blooming of this history has become *Deeper Than The Skin*, the telling of their stories through words and music. It is a great American story, informative and inspiring in so many ways. How to build bridges couldn't be more important at this moment in history. How to face struggle with hope

**Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup> 450 years of Religious Freedom February 4<sup>th</sup> Rev. Jill Cowie and Mary Donald** Religious freedom is at the heart of Unitarian Universalism. It has deep roots in our

history, connecting us to Unitarian King John Sigismund and to the Unitarianism of 16th century Transylvania (now part of Romania). This Sunday's sermon celebrates our connection with our partner church and their minister Istvan Berei as well as offers up a bit of our history, a trail of connection to explore the 21st century relevance of the edict of Torda issued in 1568, that says "no one shall be reviled... or threatened" because of their religion. A Transylvania lunch will follow the service.

## **Religious Education**

**January 28 is a Sanctuary Start.**

**Nursery care will be provided in the Fellowship Building.**

**Butterfly Garden:** "Owl Moon" (violet promise)

**Rock garden:** Art From the Heart

**Cosmix:** 7 UU Principles Conversation

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**February 4: Sanctuary Start**

**We have a need for Cosmix Assistants and Teachers for two blocks (2/25 - 04/01 and 04/08 - 06/10. If you can help with this need, please email Daniel at [dre@uuharvard.org](mailto:dre@uuharvard.org).**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Reaching In: A Listening Circle**

**Opportunity** Join us for an **afternoon of fellowship**, munchies and impromptu music at a special Listening Circle on February 4, 2018 from 2-5pm. The afternoon will be **hosted by the Worship Committee at the Taylor Home**. All will be invited to listen deeply from their hearts in the spirit of support and loving kindness as everyone has the opportunity to share their enthusiasms and concerns about the first six months of this special year, and ideas for worship moving forward with our new minister. Contact Kelley Taylor at [kelly@picante.com](mailto:kelly@picante.com) or Cary Browse [cbrowse@earthlink.net](mailto:cbrowse@earthlink.net)

**The Hungarian brunch is just next week**

Kitchen volunteers are what we seek  
If you want to help to ease the flow  
"Sign up genius" is the way to go.  
And If you're at a loss as to what to cook  
and bring in  
Give "Hungarian food" on Google a spin  
Whether entrées, veggies, desserts or bread  
Or just bring yourself, you'll be well fed.  
-Mary Donald

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4ea4a82ca13-partner>

**Native American Myth Workshop** Winter is the time for story telling! In this facilitated workshop, we'll bring to life the Shawnee story of "Sawage" -- the grandmother associated with the south wind. Friday, 2 February, 7:00-9:00 PM, Charlanne Van Wormer Room, FB. For more information, contact Kristine Tomlinson, [978-952-2489](tel:978-952-2489) eves., or [kaltomlinson@prodigy.net](mailto:kaltomlinson@prodigy.net).

**Social Justice Ministries Council Gem of the Week: *Waking Up White* Book Discussion.** Join Fostering Racial Justice Group (FRJG) in a guided discussion of *Waking Up White* by Debby Irving. Her book describes her continuous journey from white unawareness to white alertness. **Maria-Veronica Barnes**, FRJG member, will facilitate the book discussions for members of the community who are interested in digging a bit deeper. The meetings will take place on January 31<sup>st</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Room at UCC Boxborough, 723 Massachusetts Avenue, Boxborough. Registration is free, but an RSVP would be appreciated. Please RSVP to [mavero@verizon.net](mailto:mavero@verizon.net).

**The Women's Alliance will meet on Tuesday, February 6** at 6:30 in the Fellowship Building's Van Wormer community room for a potluck, followed at 7:15 by a program on the *Westford Women Dolls*. The Westford Women Dolls represent real women in Westford's past who made contributions that shouldn't be forgotten. Westford's Museum Director,

Penny Lacroix, will bring some of the dolls and highlight how their lives impacted their contemporaries and our lives today.

- Dorothy Solbrig

**Save the Date: Annual Auction Dinner Party, Saturday, March 24, 5-9 PM**

Mark your calendars now, as you do not want to miss this fun and fundraising church community event. It's not too early to start thinking about what you can offer this year--a dinner, a vacation home, a concert, dog walking, baby sitting, cooking class. Be creative and have fun with it!

-Your HUUC Auction Team

**SAVE THE DATE for REV. JILL'S INSTALLATION. WHEN:** Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 4pm. **WHERE:** Ceremony in the HUUC Sanctuary followed by (pot-luck) reception in the Fellowship Building. **WHAT IS AN INSTALLATION?** An installation ceremony highlights and reaffirms the bond between a minister and the congregation. **DETAILS:** Will be available soon. **QUESTIONS?** Contact Cary Browse, [cbrowse@earthlink.net](mailto:cbrowse@earthlink.net)

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

Sunday January 28

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

*Deeper than the Skin*

**Reggie Harris, Greg Greenway**

11:20-11:50 Junior Choir

12:00-1:00 Chimers

1:30-3:00 Humanists discussion

Tuesday January 30

10-4 Bargains open

7:15 p.m. Auction Committee mtg.

Wednesday January 31

7-8 p.m. Silent Meditation

Friday February 2

7-9 p.m. Native American Myth

Saturday February 3

12-5 Passages Refugee Experience

Sunday February 4

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

*450 years of Religious Freedom*

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11:30-1:30 Partner Church Brunch

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