

## MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, April 11, 6:30 p.m.  
NOT IN EDDY HALL THIS MONTH!

Bell Street Chapel's Movie Night series continues on April 11 at 6:30 p.m. For this month only, we will be meeting at Carol Crowley's house, because Daydream Theatre is using Eddy Hall for its spring production. Movie Night is part of our effort to live out the values that we espoused when we became a Unitarian Universalist Welcoming Congregation several years ago. Accordingly, we have been proud to present films with GLBT themes. For the past year, we have been concentrating on films that examine gender identity issues. The license that permits us to show copyrighted films prevents us from naming specific movies in our newsletter or on our website, but, if you are interested, just ask Carol Crowley for directions to her house and the name of the movie.

Do join us. Bring some food or non-alcoholic beverage to share and bring your friends to Bell Street Chapel's Movie Night!



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**“Love is the spirit of our church  
and service is its law**

**This is our great covenant:  
To dwell together in peace,  
To seek the truth in love,  
And to help one another.”**



■ APRIL  
■ 2008

# BELL STREET COLUMNS

NEWSLETTER FOR THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF BELL STREET CHAPEL

## WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

SERVICES BEGIN AT 10 A.M.

TODDLER CARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL AVAILABLE

### 6 | APRIL CANVASS SUNDAY Rev. Bill Robinson

Following the joyful kickoff of our annual canvass at an event on Friday, April 4, we will gather on Sunday morning to collect pledges. Members of the Governing Board will be present at both events in case anyone has questions.

### 13 | APRIL On Meditation Joanne Friday

If you were ever even mildly interested in learning about meditation practice or wanted to improve your technique, this is the service for you. Joanne has been a long-time teacher of yoga and meditation. You will walk away from this service fully energized.

### 20 | APRIL Passover Rev. Bill Robinson

This year we will celebrate Passover with a Seder in the evening and a service on Sunday morning.

### 27 | APRIL Canvass Celebration Rev. Bill Robinson

We will calculate our canvass total and celebrate our dedication to our church community in the year ahead.

## IN THE INTERIM: THE HOPEFUL MONTH

*Once you choose hope, anything's possible.*

—Christopher Reeve

From a liturgical perspective, April is one of the busiest months on the calendar for religious holidays. There are Christian, both Orthodox and Roman, Jewish, Pagan, Sikh, Hindu and Baha'i holidays just to name a few. I believe the reason for that abundance is that April is a very hopeful month. March, with its cold and threats of snow, have passed. In our climate zone we are already looking at an abundance of crocuses of all different colors. This year again, many have escaped from the garden and have started to pop up in the grass. That's fine. They will be long gone before the lawn mower is pulled out of the shed.

For years I commuted through Sherborn, Mass., a rural community located east of Framingham, bisected by Route 27 and overwhelmed twice a day with thousands of vehicles carrying their drivers to and from work. To make all that confusion a little more bearable, Sherborn residents and the Public Works Department employees years and years ago planted jonquils (A.K.A. daffodils) on both sides of the street in what would be the sidewalk areas in more urban towns. The traffic in Sherborn was always a challenge but the presence of those yellow and white flowers recurring and blooming every April made the drive a lot more enjoyable. The flowers were a picture of hope: the winter was over and spring and summer were on their way. You could almost feel the warming sun and hear the first broadcasts from spring training. Which brings me back to religious holidays. In addition to their being a lot of them at this time of the year, most share the similar theme of "hope". What makes their themes so hopeful is that most of them celebrate the birth of a founder, or they commemorate a founding

event.

Even the Jewish folks celebrate Passover, which commemorates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and marks the birth of the Jewish nation.

While I consider April the most hopeful month, it sometimes acts up just to ensure we remain suitably on our guard. On April 1, 1997, our optimism was sorely challenged by what was called the "April Fool's Day Storm". Boston received 25 inches and Providence 18 inches of late-season white stuff. The storm brought most of southern New England to a grinding halt. We need to hope that our April will be free from any repeat of that, but just in case, don't put the shovels away just yet. I hope you won't need them.

~ Bill

## CANVASS EVENTS

APRIL 4 - LAUNCH POTLUCK  
APRIL 6 - CANVASS SUNDAY  
APRIL 27 - CATERED LUNCHEON

On Friday, April 4 at 6 p.m., we will launch our canvass campaign at Bell Street Chapel. Please sign up in Eddy Hall to bring a dish for our potluck supper and for clean-up afterwards. Jesse Holstein from the Providence String Quartet and Community MusicWorks will perform for us while we have dessert, and Audrey Greene has arraigned for another challenging, enigmatic scavenger hunt.

Following the service on Sunday, April 27, we will have a luncheon when the totals of the financial commitment people have made to Bell Street will be announced; our neighbor, Nick's restaurant on Broadway, will provide the food. Don't miss the fun!

~Tom Mack

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**FINANCE, JOHN SIMMONDS**  
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# CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS

## A FEW WORDS ABOUT COLUMNS

The deadline for the May issue of *Columns* is Sunday, April 20, at 8 p.m. Please submit your articles as a Word attachment – not in the body of the e-mail – to me at [MeredythW@aol.com](mailto:MeredythW@aol.com). (Please do not send it to Bell Street Chapel.) If you are sending photos, please save them as a .jpg, a high resolution, but not a gigantic size. Our newsletter is one of the most effective means of communicating with our members and friends, so don't miss out on the opportunity to use it.

We've had a change to the newsletter, um, staff, if you will. Due to time constraints and work commitments, Terry Barbounis, who beautifully redesigned *Columns* last year, will no longer be laying out our newsletter. I lament this development for two reasons: a) he does a really great job and b) I will now be doing it. If there's anyone else out there with Microsoft Publisher who would like to do it, I would be more than happy to give this duty away. It's not actually hard, but it will take more time, so I'd appreciate everyone's assistance. And I'd like to thank Terry for all the hard work and late nights (and a number of Saturday mornings) he put into getting this newsletter out so many times.

How can you help? One major way: Please adhere to the deadline, and send me just your final version. Please don't send me things several times and ask for changes after you've sent them. If you need something specific, like a single sentence, changed I can do that pretty easily (just tell me the change, don't send me the whole thing again), but if you make changes throughout something, I have to re-edit and reformat the whole thing. It gets very confusing, and it's very time-consuming to have to edit and reformat something more than once. If your article needs to be run by other people, please run it by them earlier, rather than near or (gasp!) after the deadline. I understand that nobody's perfect, and I try to be accommodating, but please help me out by adhering to the deadline and sending me just your final version.

On another note, I try to always send you a reply when you send me something for the newsletter. If you don't receive a reply shortly after you send it (within a day), there's a strong possibility that I didn't get it. In that event, please get in touch with me to check. Besides e-mail, you can reach me by calling (401) 451-2322.

I sincerely thank you for your help and hope you will keep *Columns* in mind if you're planning a chapel event or have a message you'd like to get to the members and friends of Bell Street Chapel.

~Meredyth Waterman  
 Columns Editor

## THE KNIT PROJECT

Tuesday nights,  
 starting March 25.



Knitting group to make knit scarves, hats, gloves, mittens, socks for the needy.

Knitting lessons available for those who don't knit but would like to participate.

Men and women welcome.

Questions, call Richard Muto at (401) 944-4809.

## PASSOVER SEDER

Please join us on the second night of Passover, Sunday, April 20, at 6 p.m. in Eddy Hall.

A moving service will be followed by a wonderful meal.

~ Peg Boyle, Carol Crowley  
 and David Gleicher

## FERRY BEACH

U.U. Summer Camp for Adults, Families, and Children

Consider joining other Unitarian Universalists at Ferry Beach, a summer spiritual home on the coast of Maine. It's located in a context of natural beauty, with more than 30 acres of land and over 1,000 feet of shoreline. Come to enjoy a magnificent beach, sparkling ocean, shafts of sunlight through pine boughs and the smell of wood smoke from an evening campfire in the grove.

Ferry Beach is a summer place to live out Unitarian Universalist values. There is time, encouragement and a safe place to explore the interior landscape of ideas and feelings. It's also a wonderful and affordable family vacation destination. Ferry Beach offers activities for everyone, young and old, singles and families. You can come as a vacationer or attend a conference on topics such as mind, body and spirit, kids for the earth, music, women's week, GAYLA for gay men, fabric arts, and U.U. heritage. Whether you stay in a tent or an R.V. in the pine grove, or in the comfortable lodgings close to the ocean, you're guaranteed wonderful conversations, new friends, and plenty of time for leisure. Log onto the Ferry Beach website, [www.ferrybeach.org](http://www.ferrybeach.org) or ask Kate Gillis for more information, [ksgillis@netzero.net](mailto:ksgillis@netzero.net).

~Kate Gillis

## PARISH & SOCIAL CONCERNS

Thursday, April 24  
 Dine Out for AIDS Project R.I.

Please join the Parish and Social Concerns Committee for dinner at a participating restaurant and 25 percent of the food bill will go to benefit AIDS Project R.I. For participating restaurants, please visit [www.aidsprojectri.org](http://www.aidsprojectri.org). The chosen restaurant will be announced soon and sign-up will be in Eddy Hall.

### Book Discussion Group

Please contact Clara Hardy at [clarapvd@gmail.com](mailto:clarapvd@gmail.com) or (401) 231-9226 if interested in joining in the peace-making book discussion group.

### May Diaper Drive

The Parish and Social Concerns Committee will be collecting disposable diapers and incontinence products from May 1 to May 11 as part of a Mother's Day diaper drive to help the Rhode Island Diaper Bank. Diapers are not covered by either WIC or food stamps. A month's supply of diapers can average over \$60. Stretching diapers beyond their intended use compromises a person's physical and emotional health. Please drop-off your donated diapers in Eddy Hall and contact Clara Hardy if you have further questions.

### Crossroads

A sign-up sheet has been developed to assist in making sure we have needed supplies for our monthly lunch-making efforts for Crossroads. Please see Clara Hardy if you would like to donate any supplies.

~ Clara Hardy

## FINANCE COMMITTEE OUR FINANCIAL HEALTH

We are doing well financially. All of our bills are current. Despite the loss of the rental income from the parking lot and the lower-than-expected pledge income, our income is still keeping pace with our expenses.

With tax time upon us, it may be helpful to repeat some information for your 2007 returns. You may have questions about what is or is not tax deductible. Your 2007 pledge donation shown in your letter is tax deductible. Purchases from the goods and services auction are not deductible. Your donation of goods to the auction could be tax deductible much like a donation to the Salvation Army would be. You should also be aware that the IRS could ask for proof of any donations. Remember that if you want your donations to be marked toward your pledge, it should either be in the form of a check under your name or in an envelope with your name on it.

Finally, we would like to thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Finance Committee should you have any questions, concerns or need detailed financial information and thank you for making and honoring your pledge commitment.

~The Finance Committee

(Joe Chaves, Jen Shimkus, John Simmonds, Phil Smith, Lyn Stein)

# CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS



## WOMENSHERE SPRING GATHERING

Womensphere Spring Gathering  
Aging with Grace and Spirit

Saturday, April 19, 2008  
9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

First Universalist Society in Franklin  
262 Chestnut Street, Franklin, Mass.

Womensphere organizes sacred circle gatherings for women of the Ballou Channing District of the Unitarian Universalist Association. Our spring gathering will be a day spent celebrating the wonderful journey that aging can be. Our panelists are six wise and spirited women in their 70s, 80s and 90s. Cost is \$27, including lunch. A limited number of scholarships are available. To register or for more information, please contact Kate Gillis, (401) 823-7929, [ksgillis@netzero.net](mailto:ksgillis@netzero.net)

~ Kate Gillis

## DAYDREAM THEATRE PRESENTS *THE SCARECROW*

Hello, members of Bell Street Chapel. This is Lenny Schwartz of Daydream Theatre Company. I am writing this article today to invite you all to our spring production, "The Scarecrow," running April 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, and 26, all at 8 p.m. in Eddy Hall. The play is based on my own personal experience as a male anorexic. It is a personal show for me to say the least, and after the production at Bell Street, we will be taking the show up to Nicu's Spoon Theatre at 38 West 38th St. in New York, N.Y. (between 5th Avenue and Avenue of the Americas) on May 28, 29, 30, and 31.

I am writing this today because for the past four years, Jim Belanger (my partner in the company) as well as my wife, Sara, have been so lucky. We've been lucky to have the relationship we do with Bell Street. I have written and directed plays for over 12 years now and I cherish being able to work in this space. I smile every day I pull into the parking lot and throughout the day. Over the years, being able to do the work we do at Bell Street...well, we've been fortunate, to say the least. We've been able to nurture talent, give opportunities to actors that they otherwise might not get, and just have fun doing what we love. Jim, Sara, myself and all of the actors and crew do have day jobs but at night we are granted a chance to do this. This crazy dream that comes alive. And it happens every time because you've opened your doors to us.

Every person at Bell Street has contributed to any and all success we have. It's been a wonderful four years for us that we look forward to continuing with The December Rabbi (coming this holiday season! Only at Bell Street!) You have all been a vital part of what we do. So please, come see our production here at Bell Street. Come see what you have contributed to by opening your doors and hearts to us. Because this production is yours as well. And I am proud to be part of the work we do together.

*Editor's note: As if you needed another reason to check out Daydream's productions, the company donates its proceeds to Bell Street! We are deeply appreciative of Daydream's support and urge you to support them by attending their shows.*

## BOARD BITS

From the March Governing Board meeting:

- The board met with Leadership Development Committee Chairperson Peg Boyle and discussed her committee's support of a bylaws amendment to be presented at the annual meeting. It would change the Leadership Development Committee from four members to three and create staggered terms. Progress on the leadership slate for the upcoming year was also discussed.
- The board met with Ministerial Search Committee Chairperson Stan Kuziel and discussed the board's hopes for a new minister and whether it's going possible to return to full-time ministry in the immediate future.
- The board solidified some final canvass preparation.
- VHB, the engineering firm that used to rent our parking spaces but recently moved out of the neighborhood has donated a used computer to Bell Street Chapel! The board authorized the use of up to \$255 for a computer technician to transfer data, hook up the computer, and determine which of our two current computers it should replace.
- The board is planning a visioning workshop, in which Bell Street members would work to develop a vision statement for our congregation, perhaps in late May.

~Meredyth Waterman  
Governing Board Secretary

## MINISTERIAL SEARCH

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visibly for the group. We recognize the importance of capturing the essence of the group's contributions, with gratitude for it.

The opening questions include: Who is Bell Street Chapel and how should we describe ourselves so that potential candidates can understand us? What are your reactions to the descriptions that have emerged from the First Survey of the congregation? What sort of minister will best meet the wants and needs of our church, for the next half decade or longer? What priorities should we set, since no candidate can be expected to be everything and to do everything we could possibly want?

We hope you will sign up for one of these cottage meetings during Coffee Hour, or, if you're unable to do so, you may e-mail Carey Taylor-Noble at [ctaylor@yaho.com](mailto:ctaylor@yaho.com). As we go forward, we will be writing about, and acting upon, the reflections you share. Thank you for your continued interest and participation through this journey.

~Jasmine Appleberry

	JULY-FEB ACTUAL	JULY-FEB BUDGET	VARIANCE	ANNUAL BUDGET
<b>INCOME</b>				
PLEDGES	\$34,848	\$36,667	(\$1,819)	\$55,000
SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	\$8,314	\$4,981	\$3,333	\$7,472
INTERESTS AND INVESTMENTS	\$37,334	\$31,983	\$5,351	\$47,975
RENTALS	\$5,800	\$9,000	(\$3,200)	\$13,500
EVENTS & FUNDRAISING	4,641	\$4,167	\$474	\$6,250
OTHER INCOME	\$3,072	\$0	\$3,072	\$0
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$94,010</b>	<b>\$86,798</b>	<b>\$7,212</b>	<b>\$130,197</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
SALARY & BENEFITS	\$50,179	\$51,303	(\$1,124)	\$76,954
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$13,621	\$13,262	\$359	\$19,893
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	\$12,593	\$12,667	(\$74)	\$19,000
DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS	\$0	\$1,967	(\$1,967)	\$2,950
OTHER EXPENSES	\$3,440	\$7,600	(\$4,160)	\$11,400
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$79,834</b>	<b>\$86,798</b>	<b>(\$6,964)</b>	<b>\$130,197</b>
<b>NET INCOME GAIN/(LOSS)</b>	<b>\$14,176</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$14,176</b>	<b>\$0</b>



# CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS



## APRIL | CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PH=PARISH HOUSE | S=SANTUARY | EH=EDDY HALL | MPL=MEET IN PARKING LOT | MO=MINISTER'S OFFICE | OS=OFFSITE | L=LIBRARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH) 7 pm Knitting group (PH upstairs)	<b>2</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>3</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>4</b> 6 pm Canvass kickoff potluck (EH)	<b>5</b> 8 am Sitting Meditation (EH)
Canvass Sunday <b>6</b> 9 am Choir (S) 10 am Service (S) 11 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am sandwiches (EH) 2 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>7</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>8</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH) 7 pm Knitting group (PH upstairs) 7:30 pm Governing Board (PH)	<b>9</b> 6 pm Order of Service deadline 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>10</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH)	<b>11</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH) 6:30 pm Movie Night (Crowleys' house)	<b>12</b> 8 am Sitting Meditation (EH) 8 pm Daydream show (EH)
<b>13</b> 9 am Choir (S) 10 am Service (S) 11 am Coffee Hour (EH) 11:30 New UU Class (PH) 11:30 Discussion Group (PH) 11:30 Cleaning	<b>14</b> 6:30 pm Finance Committee (PH)	<b>15</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH) 7:15 pm House Committee (PH) 7 pm Knitting group (PH upstairs)	<b>16</b> 6 pm Order of Service deadline 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>17</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH) 7 pm Bible Study (PH)	<b>18</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH)	<b>19</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH)
<b>20</b> 9 am Choir (S) 10 am Service (S) 11 am Coffee Hour (EH) 11:30 New UU Class (PH) 6 pm Seder (PH) 8 pm newsletter deadline	<b>21</b> 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH)	<b>22</b> 6 pm Parish & Social Concerns (EH) 7 pm Knitting group (PH upstairs) 7 pm Membership Committee (PH)	<b>23</b> 6 pm Order of Service deadline 6 pm Daydream rehearsal (EH) 6:30 pm Leadership Development (PH)	<b>24</b> 6 pm Daydream show (EH)	<b>25</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH)	<b>26</b> 8 pm Daydream show (EH)
<b>27</b> 9 am Choir (S) 9 am newsletter fold (EH) 10 am Service (S) 11:30 Canvass wrapup luncheon	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 7 pm Membership (PH) 7 pm Knitting group (PH upstairs)	<b>30</b> 6 pm Order of Service deadline			

## MINISTERIAL SEARCH

The Ministerial Search Committee will be facilitating "cottage meetings" in volunteers' homes from late March through April.

What is a cottage meeting? It is an opportunity for us to hear from you and engage in meaningful, focused dialogue around the search process and your concerns. More specifically, it is a small-group meeting of six to 12 people, lasting two hours, with two members of the Ministerial Search Committee guiding the discussion through certain questions designed to stimulate reflection and conversation about our church and the tasks ahead.

We emphasize the value of these meetings in assisting us toward the goal of reflecting accurately the congregation's feelings and interests. This spring represents a window of opportunity for us to gather your ideas prior to going forward. We realize that the securing of a new settled minister may feel far off. Nonetheless, the time line of the search, as set out by the Unitarian Universalist Association, stipulates that our committee begin formally compiling and articulating congregational input by the summer, such that a final packet can be ready in early fall. We want to allow adequate time for a second written survey also, which will take into account the gathered input. This spring is a crucial and exciting time.

The meetings will follow certain ground rules of respectful, effective communication, including those from the Welcoming Congregation program that Bell Street Chapel completed. We look forward to hearing from congregants' individual experiences, with shared respect for whatever differences may emerge, while listening to everyone's voices. Five touchstone questions can help us to make sure key areas are covered. As always, if people have remaining thoughts, the members of the committee are available one-on-one. We invite you to think about the outlined questions beforehand. At the meetings, we will provide handouts with these questions. We will also ask participants to record their responses on index cards. We will confirm that we are hearing ideas correctly, through writing them

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## FROM THE BOARD

As the days grow longer and the weather becomes warmer, our thoughts turn to – canvass. It's that time of year when we make our pledges of financial support to Bell Street. As you know, your support is essential, not only to help us function but to help us grow and make a positive impact on the community.

Over the past few years, finances have been a challenge. However, we have made tremendous progress in meeting our financial obligations. Thanks to your continued support, our bills are current. This year is especially important because we need to plan for the future, most importantly, calling a settled minister. That makes your pledge essential to the future of Bell Street.

This year, we will be kicking off our canvass events on Friday, April 4. The evening will begin with a potluck dinner, followed by entertainment provided by the Providence String Quartet and (back by popular demand!) a BSC scavenger hunt organized by Audrey Greene. Please come and join in the celebration. A sign-up sheet for the potluck dinner is available in Eddy Hall. Next, we will be collecting pledge cards during the worship service on celebration Sunday, April 6. Please bring your completed pledge card with you to the service. If you are unable to attend, you can mail in your pledge card, or give it to Joe Chaves from the Finance Committee. Finally, we will announce the results of our canvass at a special catered lunch after the worship service on April 27.

As you think about your pledge for the upcoming year, I would ask you to think about the impact that Bell Street Chapel has had on your life. How has your participation in this community changed you? How have you grown? Now is the time for us to think of stewardship. Stewardship is about taking care of something you value and enabling it to grow. When we become stewards, we take responsibility and contribute our time and resources to the chapel. As stewards, we see giving as a spiritual practice that enriches us as well as those we give to. Giving makes us feel good. Together, we can make this year's canvass a success!

*In faith,*  
Don Laliberte, President