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News

Reaching In . . .  
Reaching Out

From the Minister . . .

SPENCER JOHNSON WROTE a very popular book titled "Who Moved My Cheese?" to share his insight on the inevitable fact of change in our lives. Each of the characters in his book has a name that hints at his way of coping with change. The two "little people" characters are named Hem and Haw and the two mice are named Sniff and Scurry. They are all attempting to find their way through a maze and to search for cheese – a metaphor for our desires, whether a house, fulfilling work, more time with family and friends, or spiritual peace.



Through the journey with Sniff, Scurry, Hem and Haw we learn that change happens in our lives whether we wish for it or not, and whether we are ready for it or not. Johnson advises us to meet these changes with openness, a positive attitude, and with joy.

While this is a powerful book to many of its readers, there is a spiritual critique that I wish to offer. In his efforts to remain simple, Johnson seems to reduce all dimensions of change and even life as a whole to a problem that needs to be "fixed." This model may work effectively in the business world, where folks like Hem who hesitate to get with the program may wind up at a "dead end" or left behind. However, it does not speak to the religious task of self-discovery and spiritual growth, as Johnson implies.

The labyrinth is a much better metaphor from a religious viewpoint for life's journey and the role of change. True to life, there is not only one way to do the labyrinth. Children will often run through laughing and screaming, while adults may choose to walk more meditatively and slowly. Also like life, each person spends a shorter or longer time in the labyrinth. What is the same is that we all enter, and we all must exit. The labyrinth serves as a reminder of our birth and our death, of new beginnings and of endings.

The labyrinth invites us to journey inward to our center, to listen to the truth of our heart's longing, to

love, or to God. On the way to this center, you encounter straight and winding paths. Kay Bessler-Northcutt suggests these represent our milestones of desolation and consolation. Milestones of consolation are those episodes that give rise to life, filled with joy, peace, creativity and relationship. Milestones of desolation are those episodes of disharmony, filled with despair, confusion and alienation. They are twins along the path that intertwine to make us who we are. They bear witness to the teachers of abundance and suffering. In the labyrinth, you can't get stuck in one direction – a twist will come and corners must be turned. Yet, there are no wrong turns or "dead ends" as in a maze. In a labyrinth every turn is constructive, even if it doesn't appear so at first, and leads you to the next step on your path.

Blessed be,

Alison

Alison's Office Hours are Tuesdays-Fridays,  
by appointment

**Our Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, June 4, from 1:15-2:30 p.m. (See p. 11.)**

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***Mission and Covenant Statement***

**WE**, the members of the **Morristown Unitarian Fellowship**, mindful of the rich diversity and essential oneness of human experience, covenant to weave the fabric of community from the strands of our separate lives. This is our pledge:

- To create for ourselves and our children a spiritual home which will nurture, challenge and offer us renewal.
- To seek what is true even as we celebrate the mystery of existence.
- To reach out to all who share our liberal religious values and participate in the broader Unitarian-Universalist movement.
- To work for social justice and the well-being of our planet Earth.

***The deadline for EACH Newsletter is now the 15th of the previous month!***  
All articles for both print and online versions of the Newsletter should be e-mailed to melodylingers@verizon.net (editor PAT BAXTER) by the **15th** of the month preceding the one in which they will appear. The deadline for each issue also appears on the address panel of each Newsletter.

***From the Board of Trustees***

**Deeds Well Done**

The Board wishes to acknowledge and gratefully thank the following members for their service to the Fellowship:

- Darrell and Mary Courtley and Beth Wilson for the beautiful performance of his "Variations on the Mass" on Easter Sunday.

**Recent Developments**

The Youth Adult Committee is working to define the skills and vision of an Interim Youth Director. The Music Director search is going well and looks promising for hiring an appropriate candidate this summer.

New members continue to sign the membership book this year. Let's all welcome those new members of our community!

Volunteers are needed for the picnic on June 11. If you would like to volunteer for any of the preparation, serving or cleanup tasks, please ask Gloria Jackson of the Administrative Network or Gary Kunz of the Program Network to add your name to the list. They can also provide information about specific needs.

**Upcoming Board of Trustees and Network Meetings**

Meetings are open to all Fellowship members. The meeting time is 7 p.m. The Board meets on the second Wednesday of the month, the Administrative Network on the third Wednesday, and the Program Network on the fourth Wednesday. *It is especially important for committee chairs and members who participate in Fellowship administration and programming to attend and participate in the Network meetings.*

Meetings in June are scheduled on:

Board of Trustees	June 14
Administrative Network:	June 21
Program Network:	June 28

**Meeting Minutes**

Minutes from the April meetings have been approved and are now posted on the bulletin board in Room 100 and on the website in the Members Only section. Reading the minutes will keep you up to date on developments within Fellowship Committees, recommendations made to the Board, and decisions made on behalf of the Fellowship.

***Be a knowledgeable member of your Fellowship!***

## Our Financial Health

(Figures may not add up exactly due to truncation and/or rounding.)

	July 2005 through April 2006	Apr. 06 Actual	Apr. 06 Budget	\$ Variance	July-April Actual	July-April Budget	YTD \$ Variance	Annual Budget
<b>INCOME</b>	Pledges, collections, donations	23,756	26,333	-2,577	288,061	262,334	25,727	315,000
	Rentals	2,470	2,533	-63	24,905	25,333	-428	30,400
	Fund Raising	8,889	5,000	3,889	30,788	34,100	-3,312	39,100
	Other	0	1,792	-1,792	23,565	18,742	4,823	22,425
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	35,115	35,658	-543	367,319	340,509	26,810	406,925
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Salaries, wages & benefits	21,153	22,668	-1,515	212,176	232,085	-19,909	277,422
	Administrative, program	4,648	4,301	348	66,879	64,548	2,331	80,686
	Building and other	4,979	5,371	-392	59,673	57,410	2,263	68,152
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	30,781	32,340	-1,559	338,729	354,043	-15,314	426,260
	<b>TOTAL GAIN/(LOSS)</b>	4,334	3,318	1,016	28,590	-13,534	42,125	-19,335

**NOTES**

- We hope to end the year without the budgeted deficit of \$19,335.
- Our pledge drive continues to go well, but we are still missing a number of responses. Please contact Stu Sendell, Pledge Chair, if you have not already done so.
- The next year's budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting June 4. Members, please plan to attend.
- Anne Paust and/or Stu Sendell will be available in Room 100 on Sundays to discuss the budget and hand out printed copies for your perusal.
- Direct deposit for pledges will be offered in the near future. Contact Anne Paust if interested.
- A deposit slip is available in the Members Only section of our web site, as well as in the office. It should simplify the deposit process.

*Respectfully submitted by Anne Paust, Treasurer*

***See Our Website (Members Only) for Reminder on Pledging/Financial Support***



### SLATE OF CANDIDATES ANNUAL MEETING OF JUNE 4, 1:15 p.m.

**Board of****Directors**

<u>Office</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Term</u>
President	Joe Urhane	1 year
President-Elect	Carol Todd	1 year
VP – Admin.	Gloria Jackson*	1 year remaining
VP – Program	Todd Van Gordon	2 years
Treasurer	Anne Paust*	1 year remaining
Asst. Treasurer	Stuart Sendell*	1 year remaining
Secretary	Annette Tyler	2 years

**Endowment Committee**

Trustee	Beth Hayward*	1 year remaining
Trustee	Paul Mitchell*	2 years remaining
Trustee	Astrid Martin*	2 years remaining
Trustee	Toby Tyler	3 years
Trustee	Kelly Schnur	3 years
Ex-Officio Trustee	Alison Miller	1 year (non-voting)†

Ex-Officio Trustee Joe Urhane 1 year (non-voting)†

**Nominating Committee**

Former Officer	Elizabeth Bain	2-year term, as specified in bylaws
Member	Lisa Schmitt *	1 year remaining of 3-year term
Member	Helene Ferm *	2 years remaining of 3-year term
Ex-Officio	Shari Loe *	1 year remaining of 2-year term
Member	Steve Parker	3-year term

\* Serving a current term, not up for renomination.

† As required by bylaws.

## *Faith Developments*

### THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR

is drawing to a close, and with it my tenure as Acting Director of Religious Education. It is with a sense of sadness that I write my last column for you, as I will miss you all very much. Morristown Unitarian Fellowship is a place of amazing action, and I have enjoyed my time with your children!



My hope is that you will continue to bring more spirituality to your children. Children and youth are graced with more spiritual awareness than we adults tend to have; they bring no baggage with them from their childhood; they are open and curious and still full of wonder.

Give them wonder and awe, worship skills and a strong grounding in Unitarian Universalism, and involve them in the social action outreach of this community. They are ready to give, and understand the necessity of helping; allow and encourage them to give their fair share of time and energy, too.

Children need to be an integral part of a faith community, need to feel that they are intimately involved within their community, in order to want to remain a part of that community as they grow into adults. I am personally not content to raise tolerant adults who feel at home in any religion; I want to raise passionate Unitarian Universalists!

We UUs are needed desperately to make changes in the world; let's not allow our young adults to drift slowly away. Involve our children and youth in every aspect of the community within Morristown Unitarian Fellowship.

Don't be afraid of what might be over their heads; don't be afraid of a little friendly child noise. Instead, think about the wonderful belief

statements read to you this year by your first and second grade Age of Reason students, and then the amazing credo statements shared by the Junior High Youth!

They are passionate and caring young humans ... keep them around, keep them active! Get to know them. Be a mentor, either formally or informally!

I feel privileged to have been able to work with so many of you. Thank you for your gifts of time and energy and passion to the faith development of the children and youth at the Fellowship.

Yours in faith,

*Robin*

*We look with uncertainty  
Beyond the old choices for  
Clear-cut answers  
To a softer, more permeable aliveness  
At the brink of death;  
For something new is being born in us  
If we but let it.  
We stand at a new doorway,  
Awaiting that which comes ...  
Daring to be human creatures.  
Vulnerable to the beauty of existence.  
Learning to love.*

## Important Religious Education Dates

June 4		Special service at Bickford Theater; RE at MUF:
	9:45-10:15 a.m.	Children's Chapel at MUF, nursery opens
	10:00 a.m.	Bridging Service at Bickford
	10:15-11:15 a.m.	RE Classes and Moving Up Day
	11:30 a.m.	Senior High Graduation Ceremony at MUF
	1:15 p.m.	MUF Annual Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Nursery closes
June 11		One service at 10 a.m., picnic following!

*Summer Sunday Services*, all of which begin at 10 a.m., are more informal than but just as meaningful as those presented during the rest of the year. Several services will be suitable for all ages. For information about any Summer Sunday, contact Pat de la Fuente.

### June 18 Standing as Witnesses for Immigration Reform

Emblazoned in the news and inscribed in the everyday lives and hearts of thousands of our local neighbors in Morris County, UUs have joined many faith-based organizations in exploring and educating ourselves and our local governments and neighbors on this agonizing topic. This service will provide you with a spiritual framework to take up the UU position to work/speak for immigrant support. It will provide you with a factual education and heartfelt reflections by Central American immigrants and Anglos on the injustice of deportation/criminality and alternative short and long-term solutions.

*Coordinated by Diana Mejia, Wind of the Spirit; Sarajane Rath, Susan Oxman and Karen Burns Rutigliano*

### June 25 Summer Solstice Celebration for All Ages

Come join us as we make the connection between ancient earth-based spirituality, as practiced by the Druids and Pagans, and our modern observance of Summer Solstice. Children are encouraged to participate. The celebration will include Celtic music as well as drumming, so be sure to bring drums and other percussion instruments.

*Coordinated by Pat de la Fuente and Marjorie Wormser*

## *Upcoming Events*

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### ***Minstrel Coffeehouse*** Fridays, 8:30 p.m.

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

More information from 973-335-9489 or  
[www.folkproject.org/fp\\_minstopen.html](http://www.folkproject.org/fp_minstopen.html).

### ***Benefit for Children on the Green/Jersey Battered Women's Services***

Saturday, June 3, 7:30 p.m.

Please join us for an evening of hors d'oeuvres and "Peeled," a one-woman show about peeling back the layers to reveal stories and triumphs over abuse. The show will be held at the Morristown United Methodist Church on the Green, 50 S. Park Place. Suggested donation is \$15. View creations from some of the area's youngest artists. All art is for sale.

### ***Seeds of Peace Meeting***

Monday, June 5, 7 p.m. (2<sup>d</sup> floor)

Summer's coming, but Peace and Justice work doesn't go on vacation! We've got lots of exciting plans and programs on the stove. More cooks needed! Info from Jo Sippie-Gora at [jo@josippie.com](mailto:jo@josippie.com).



### ***First Monday Book Group***

Monday, June 5, 7 p.m.

We will read *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, by Thomas Hardy. Come and join us in Room 208. For more info, contact Nancy Lee McLure, at [mlmclure@msn.com](mailto:mlmclure@msn.com).

### ***EVENSONG***

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.

A lay-led small-group service providing an opportunity to explore individual life journeys in an intimate and supportive setting. Through readings, music, quiet reflection and sharing of our experiences, we will explore the following topics:

**June 7** Poetry

Please bring a favorite poem or two to share.

**June 21** (No service on this date)

For further information see the MUF website or contact Drew Hayes.

### ***MUF-Wide Yard Sale***

Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Volunteers still needed to help put on this fantastic Yard Sale—work before, during and afterwards. Here's your chance to get rid of those household items you no longer need! No clothing or computers will be accepted, but jewelry, cooking supplies, books, furniture, CDs, dishes, games and toys are welcome. For additional information, contact Michelle Kunz at [mbkunz@gmail.com](mailto:mbkunz@gmail.com).

### ***MUFers Attend District Meeting***

MUF had an impressive presence at the UU-NY Metro District Annual Meeting entitled "Radical Hospitality" April 28-29. Attending were 11 MUF members in addition to our minister and ADRE: Elizabeth Bain, Toby and Annette Tyler, Eleanor Mason, Ann Renz, Susan Oxman, George Hays, Gloria and Johanna Jackson, Ruth Vogler, Rita Morris, Alison Miller and Robin Slaw.

Alison was part of the opening ceremonies Friday evening, Eleanor received Honorary Mention for the District's "Unsung Unitarian Universalist Award" (see posting in Room 100) and Toby Tyler was re-elected to the District Board. Congratulations one and all!

*Rita Morris, The Wider U*

### ***Remember Your Photo Directory!***

Don't forget to pick up your photo directory—free to everyone listed in it. Copies are available to others at \$10 each. Please get yours between services in Room 100!

Love is the spirit of this Youth Group 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.

Please join the community of the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship  
 As we celebrate and bid farewell to our High School Seniors  
 During ONE SERVICE ONLY on Sunday, June 4th, at 10 a.m. at  
 The Bickford Theatre in the Morris Museum.\*

After the service at the Bickford, John & Jami will present their annual "Senior Send-Off" in the MUF Meeting Room at 11:30, followed by a cake and coffee reception. A light lunch will also be available for purchase so that all MUF members may remain for the Congregational Meeting beginning at approximately 1:15 p.m.

*Our Graduating Seniors are:*

Cory Davia  
 Jessica Denton  
 Johanna Jackson  
 Jeff Masters

Ryan Matthews  
 Adam Pogash  
 JoAnna Schumer  
 Kristen Stetter



\*Please park at MUF and walk to the museum as we are expecting a large turnout.

"Let us agree that we shall never forget one another; that whatever happens, remember how good it felt when we were all here together united by a good and decent feeling which made us better people—better than we otherwise would have been."

- Fyodor Dostoyevsky

### **Upcoming UU Events**

**Sunday-Saturday, July 30-August 5** – Unilead Lay Leadership School. Location: Kirkridge Retreat and Conference Center, Bangor, PA. Invited Participants: UU lay leaders and prospective lay leaders. More information: [www.uumetrony.org](http://www.uumetrony.org) (access events) or e-mail [lshemick@comcast.net](mailto:lshemick@comcast.net).

**Saturday, September 30, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.** – Murray Grove Homecoming 2006: Pilgrimages of the Heart, featuring Ravi Gupta, founder, Gandhi for Today; Jim Scott, singer/songwriter; Rev. Vanessa R. Southern, Minister, UU Church of Summit, NJ author; Kurt Spellmeyer, Zen Master; Nate Walker, Founder, Da Vinci Foundation. More information: [www.uumetrony.org](http://www.uumetrony.org) (access events). Everyone is invited.

*Rita Morris, The Wider U*

## *Social Responsibilities Committee*

### *June Update -- Helping Neighbors in Need*



***Study Action Group – “Immigrant Concerns & Support”*** -- This group of eight has met twice and continues to meet on second and fourth Sundays, 10:45 a.m.-12 noon in Room 209. Next meetings: Sundays, May 28, June 11 & June 25. Wind of the Spirit Immigration Resource Center members are part of the group, and they have shared its priorities for advocacy and operations/activities support by MUF members. Please join us. To ask questions and/or to receive an initial packet of reading materials, contact [karenburns@casaessex.org](mailto:karenburns@casaessex.org).

***June 18 – MUF Sunday Service– “Standing as Witnesses for Immigration Reform”*** – Coordinators: Diana Mejia, Wind of the Spirit; SaraJane Rath, Susan Oxman, Karen Burns Rutigliano. Emblazoned in the news and inscribed in the everyday lives and hearts of thousands of our local neighbors in Morris County, Unitarian Universalists have joined many faith-based organizations in exploring and educating ourselves and our local governments and neighbors on this agonizing topic. See page 5 for more information on this service.

***Social Responsibilities Monthly Meeting – Thursday, June 8 – 7:30 p.m.*** Dining Room–Special Guests: Peaceworks visiting delegation from Managua, Nicaragua. Join us to provide these beautiful women with MUF-style hospitality (dessert), translated conversation and possibly a native dance presentation. The balance of our meeting is to allocate the June disbursement of 50% plate receipts to local/other charities. You are always invited to join the SR Committee and help us promote social justice. We serve as MUF’s voice/hands in our local community and by studying/addressing social justice “root problems.” Contact [karenburns@casaessex.org](mailto:karenburns@casaessex.org) or Michelle Kunz at [mbkunz@gmail.com](mailto:mbkunz@gmail.com) for more information.

***Eric Johnson House Monthly Dinner – June 7, 5:45-7:15 p.m.***– Share your hospitality and/or cooking skills by participating in hosting our MUF monthly dinner for the wonderful residents of EJH. Contact Susan Spencer at [senpencer@optonline.net](mailto:senpencer@optonline.net) to receive your “assignment”; you’ll be added to the rotation.

***Morristown Soup Kitchen – Help is needed for June 13 serving.*** We need soup, chili, hot dogs and beans, cold casseroles and cold meats. In the summer we do not run the ovens, but will heat food on the stove. We always need people to set up/serve on day of, 10:30-2. Contact Sharon Glickman at [foxwood1@optonline.net](mailto:foxwood1@optonline.net) to let her know you are cooking or able to help.

***Morris Homeless Solutions Monthly Dinner –Saturday, June 10, 4:45-7 p.m.*** – Help cook and serve homeless shelter residents their monthly MUF cheeseburger & birthday cake dinner. Contact Judy Goldberg at [judyoneil@optonline.net](mailto:judyoneil@optonline.net).

***Dover NORWESCAP (Northwest NJ Community Action Program)–MUF’s “Supported Family”*** – the family of three male teens and a 6-year-old girl and mom thank us for our gifts this past month (household items). All can use sneakers, summer clothing (new) and food store gift certificates. Summer is hard for all families to keep kids fed, especially poor folks. If you can help, contact Michelle Kunz at [mbkunz@gmail.com](mailto:mbkunz@gmail.com).

***Morris Habitat for Humanity – Invites MUF members to Saturday Work Parties – 8 a.m.-5 p.m.***– Construction & nonconstruction jobs. Great expansion in 2006 with 11 projects in Morris County – both new construction & rehabs. Must be 14 + (with adult supervision) or adult. All must first attend “Habitat Orientation Session,” given monthly in evening. Contact Volunteer Coordinator: Suzanne Hartman.





# Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

To assure the privacy of our members and friends, we have now removed all "Joys and Concerns" and personal telephone numbers from the online newsletter. A copy of the Newsletter in the Members Only section of our website includes the complete information.

## ***New Members***

Please welcome the following nine new members who deepened their commitment to the Fellowship by signing the membership book during the last few weeks:

Avianca and Dany Bouchédid  
Susan and Joseph Hiller  
Niama Jacobs  
Christine Reynolds  
David Thorne  
Sandra and Greg Van Nest

## ***Help Wanted!***

### ***Stewardship Committee Needs Your Help***

One of our valued members, Val Davia, is moving to Colorado at the end of June, and this is our busiest time. We follow up after the Pledge Campaign, soliciting members and friends who have not responded. We also collaborate with the Membership Committee, the Minister and the RE department to determine who is a good prospect to approach between campaigns. We monitor receipts and do sensitive outreach to those who may or may not be losing interest. If you are interested, please contact Anne Paust, Stu Sendell or Paul Mitchell. This is a most important responsibility. We hope that you can consider serving.

*Anne Paust, Chair*

## ***Contributions to the Celebration of Life***

To the Endowment Fund from **Kelly Schnur**

To the Celebration of Life Fund:

From **Pat Baxter**, in memory of **Jean Silk**

To honor **Beth Hayward and Steve Parker**, from their Secret Valentine

*Contributions to the Endowment Fund, the Memorial Garden Fund, or the Celebration of Life Fund are special ways of honoring family and friends. Your gifts will be acknowledged and appreciated.*



## *Upcoming Events Calendar*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Details</b>
Fridays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	8:30 p.m.	Minstrel Coffeehouse	p. 6
Saturday, June 3	7:30 p.m.	Children on the Green/Jersey Battered Women's Services Benefit	p. 6
<b>Sunday, June 4</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Bridging Ceremony at Bickford to Honor Seniors/Farewell Party for John and Jami</b>	<b>p. 7, 11</b>
<b>Sunday, June 4</b>	<b>1:15-2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>ANNUAL MEETING</b>	<b>p. 11</b>
Monday, June 5	7:00 p.m.	First Monday Book Group	p. 6
Wednesday, June 7	7:30 p.m.	EVENSONG	p. 6
Saturday, June 10	10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	MUF-Wide Yard Sale	p. 6
Thursday, July 6	7:30 p.m.	How Computerized Voting Threatens Honest Elections	p. 9



### **Sunday, June 4—What Next? Tra la la**

#### **Bridging Ceremony to Honor Our High School Seniors/Celebration of John & Jami**

##### **MORNING AT THE FELLOWSHIP**

(Nursery through 6th grade and Teachers)

9:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Nursery Care available

(12:30 - 1:00 p.m., Nursery Caregivers on Lunch Break)

9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Children's Chapel in the Meeting Room

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Children's RE Classes: "Moving Up Day"

##### **MORNING AT THE BICKFORD THEATER IN THE MORRIS MUSEUM**

(Junior High, High School and Adults)

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Special Sunday Service, which includes:

Bridging Ceremony to honor our High School Seniors

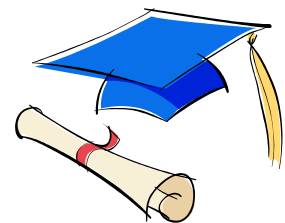
Theme: "What Next?"

##### **LATE MORNING AND AFTERNOON AT THE FELLOWSHIP**

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Senior High Graduation and Skits

12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Lunch and Other Festive Goodies

1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. ANNUAL MEETING





**TO ASSURE PRIVACY** of our members and friends, all "Joys and Concerns," personal telephone numbers and home addresses are removed from the *public* online newsletter. The Members Only copy includes the full information.

## June 2006

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Deadline for the JULY issue is

**JUNE 15**

**Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 4, from 1:15-2:30 p.m. (See page 11.)**

**Sunday Services** (All services in June will be held at 10 a.m. only. The last Sunday with children's Religious Education classes will be June 4. There will be nursery care for infants and toddlers aged 3 and younger throughout the summer months.)



### June 4 What Next?... Tra la la

### At the Bickford Theater



Special Sunday Service and Bridging Ceremony, where we will honor the transition of our youth to young adulthood and celebrate the legacy of 14 years of service as Senior High Advisors by John Franklin and Jami Thall. See page 11 for full schedule.

*Rev. Alison B. Miller*

### June 11 Building the Center

A highlight of the service will be honoring the dedication and service Robin Slaw has shown our congregation during her two years as our Acting Director of R.E. We will also celebrate the volunteers who have given of their minds, hearts and hands this year. Followed by our annual picnic.

*Rev. Alison B. Miller*

For **Summer Sunday Services**, see page 5.