

# UNITARIAN CHURCH OF QUINCY

*July 2022 Edition*

**There are no upcoming services this month!**

## **President's Message**

We are going into the middle of our summer break and although there aren't any formal church services, there is a smallish Sunday summer discussion group that will meet at 9:30am in the Heritage Room (if it's not too warm) or the Garden Room (for those really HOT mornings)

Work continues on the window restoration with the west side of the diamond-paned windows completed inside and out. The glow that is dispersed into the sanctuary when the sun hits them is a crisper and richer colored gold now. They're my newest favorite windows!

The Board of Trustees will have a retreat at a not yet determined date in July but picked their officers at the June meeting. Carol Nichols agreed to another 3-year term and will stay on as Treasurer. Marie Erikson is the secretary and Mary Beth Gapinski goes into a second year as president. Board members are Aaron Arnold, Alan DeYoung, Jim Burns, and Georgia House. Please reach out to any of the Board if you have questions! Thank you,  
Mary Beth Gapinski

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## FIRST FRIDAY

Our July first-Friday will be at Deborah Lee's Four Winds Farm, 3729 N 36th, Quincy, 6-10 PM on July 1st. Food will be served in the house. Dining areas will be in the house, the garage and the Butterfly Garden. Come early to stroll through the numerous gardens: Sensory, Herb and Cutting Flower. (FYI: the Farmstand is open until 6pm). Parking is in the south drive by the house, with overflow in the north drive by the Farmstand.

## PFLAG

Hannibal/Quincy PFLAG will be walking in the Hannibal Tom Sawyer Days Parade on Monday, July 4. You're welcome to join us! Wear your pride gear or rainbow attire and meet at 9:30 am at the PFLAG car on Broadway Street east of the SaveALot store. The parade starts at 10 am.

Walking in the parade is always a gratifying experience. It's amazing how many people thank us and tell us that we give them courage to live and show their best lives! Come step out with us!

PFLAG Hannibal-Quincy will meet Thursday, July 14 at 7 pm in the Garden Room. PFLAG provides support and education to members of the LGBTQ community and to their friends and family members.

For more information on PFLAG Hannibal-Quincy, call Ruth at 217-653-8001, or email [pflaghannibalquincy@gmail.com](mailto:pflaghannibalquincy@gmail.com).

## Back To School Fair—Saturday, August 13, 2022

Although it feels like summer just started, we will soon be making preparations for the Back to School Fair. The Fair will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at Iles Elementary School. Once again we will be donating Kindergarten Boy Backpacks filled with school supplies. If you haven't already contributed to the May Donate-A-Plate collection, please consider a monetary donation. We will ask for volunteers to begin shopping in late July. Watch for the latest news in the August newsletter. In the meantime, contact Leann Flanagan for more information.

# AUGUST RUMMAGE SALE

Please mark your calendars for the annual UU Rummage Sale—Saturday, August 27!

The rummage sale is a great opportunity to pass along items you no longer need or use and also help our church raise some funds!! Please bring items in good condition, gently used, and workable. We will accept NICE clothing—NO stains or tears, please!! We are planning the book store to be open, so cull your libraries! If you need help transporting or storing some items, please contact Mike & Leann Flanagan or Chris Wiewel & Mike Schlinkmann.

Set up will be Thursday and Friday, August 26 & 27. Volunteers are needed for set up and the day of the sale. More information will be coming in the August newsletter. Please contact Mike & Leann Flanagan for more information!

## LOOKING FORWARD TO FALL

We are excited about the coming church year and making plans for our activities beginning in the fall. Both of us are very open to ideas for sermon topics, special events, and group activities that we could organize.

Most immediately, though, get out your water containers! Our first service in September will include a water communion, in which attendees bring small amounts of water from wherever they've been during the summer and pour the water into a common bowl to symbolize our coming together after the summer off. If you forget, don't worry . . . you can use "symbolic water" as well! It's always fun and meaningful to hear where each of us has been in the weeks since the previous church service.

Please feel free to contact either or both of us with your ideas about activities for fall, future services, or anything else. Here are our e-mail addresses:

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## B'nai Shalom

The B'nai Shalom building was sold in February, effectively bringing to an end the landmark temple on 9th st. in Quincy. The last of the temple congregants gifted the Unitarian Church with a generous sum of money in appreciation for sharing our space so they could continue to hold Saturday services.