



# Prairie Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

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The Power of  
Pollinators 4<sup>th</sup>  
annual Kid's  
Camp!

See photos  
on page 4!

## Calendar At-A-Glance

**No morning gathering on ENGAGE Sunday, August 4,** Instead, you are invited to Neenah to join the Interfaith Gathering sponsored by the Fox Valley Islamic Society at **2:30 p.m.** Individuals planning to attend, please RSVP to the Islamic Society directly. (Details page 3)

**Worship Service Sunday, August 11, 10:00 AM:** We welcome back Olive Albanese as she continues her reflection on Cuba while receiving her medical training. More information on page 2.

**Please stay after the service for our Second Sunday Potluck!!**

**ENGAGE Sunday, August 18, 10:00 AM:** Please join Pat Dobrinska and friends as they present "Not For Ourselves Alone - Equal Rights Amendment" based on the PBS special by Ken Burns.

**Worship Service Sunday, August 25, 10:00 AM:** We welcome back Erika Jensen from Open Circle with a reflection focus titled "What's Your Origin Myth?" - and why it might matter.

**Every Thursday from 7-9 p.m. Families United** meets at PLUUF. Families United is a support group open to anyone who has been affected by addiction. These meetings are open to the public. *Special thanks to Ray Gurney and the Families United group for their patience while the excavation of the PLUUF parking lot and the replacement of the air conditioner were taking place!*

## August Worship Services by Jill Stiemsma



Once again we have attended memorable services in July, including a valuable and informative presentation on the services offered by Annunciation House in El Paso, TX, and a lovely service of personal poetry and reflection offered by our own Audrey George. Thank you to all - attendees and presenters alike.

Here we go, marching into the last full month of summer if you can believe that! Our service schedule will feature more local folks; hope all of you can attend.

**August 11, 10 a.m.:** Many of you can recall a service two years ago with Olive Albanese who is receiving her medical training in Cuba. I remember Elizabeth Beuthin commenting after that service that she'd only heard negative things about Cuba so listening to Olive really influenced her perceptions. Well, as Olive continues her training, she will update us on her experiences there. Whether or not you witnessed her first Reflection, I'm sure this second will be equally inspirational and informative.

And, of course, it's Second Sunday Potluck! Come on down!

**August 25, 10 a.m.:** Next, we welcome the return of Open Circle's Erika Jensen who will focus on "What's Your Origin Myth?" - and why it might matter. I think we were all intrigued by her previous PLUUF Reflection which focused on her journey into shamanism following her cancer diagnosis.

## Children's Religious Education on July 28

Although we do not have a structured RE program during the summer months, Robyn Davis Bartow volunteered to lead a session on July 28. She was inspired by Audrey George's topic on "Happiness, Appreciation and Laughter". Robyn knew Audrey was going to share poetry so encouraged the five children in the RE class to venture outside to find inspiration in nature and compose their very own poem. Here it is:

### *Summer Poem*

By Molly, Mason, Miguel, Lilly & McKinley

*Yellow and black,  
Bumblebees and wasps,  
Sucking nectar from flowers.  
Hot, sunny, humid,  
Flying butterflies in orange and brown.  
Light green butterflies in the grass  
Hot, happy amazement!*



Audrey George led the Service



Robyn Davis Bartow led  
Children's RE

## August ENGAGE Sundays

### ENGAGE SUNDAY August 4, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.:

In Neenah at the Fox Valley Islamic Society Interfaith Gathering. Carpooling may be available. Contact [tanyapapermaker@gmail.com](mailto:tanyapapermaker@gmail.com) for more info.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

No events  
scheduled at  
PLUUF on  
Sunday,  
August 4

Hope you  
can join us in  
Neenah at  
the  
Interfaith  
Gathering at  
2:30 p.m.

**2019 Fox Valley Islamic Society  
INTERFAITH GATHERING**

**MOVING FROM FEAR TOWARD MUTUAL TRUST**



**Trust**

**Fear** **Fear**

**Sunday, August 4  
2:30 to 5:30 pm**

**103 Kappell Drive  
Neenah, WI**

Learn,  
Interact,  
Feast  
for Free

Speakers include: Dr. Jon Pahl (Educator, Author, Public Speaker)  
Dr. Younis Zaldan (Islamic Center of Wisconsin)  
Rev. Dr. Thomas Willadsen (Presbyterian Pastor)

**Learn, Interact, Feast ... for Free!**

RSVP appreciated by Sunday, July 28: Email to  
[fvis.interfaith@gmail.com](mailto:fvis.interfaith@gmail.com), call 920-215-9840

### ENGAGE SUNDAY August 18, 10:00 a.m.:

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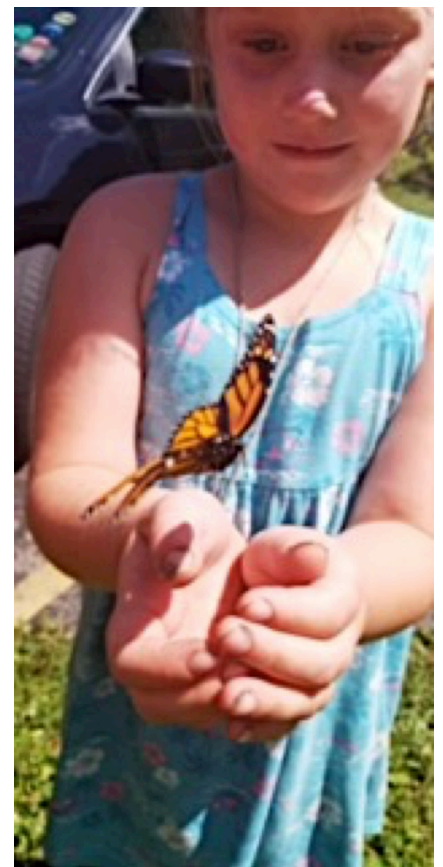
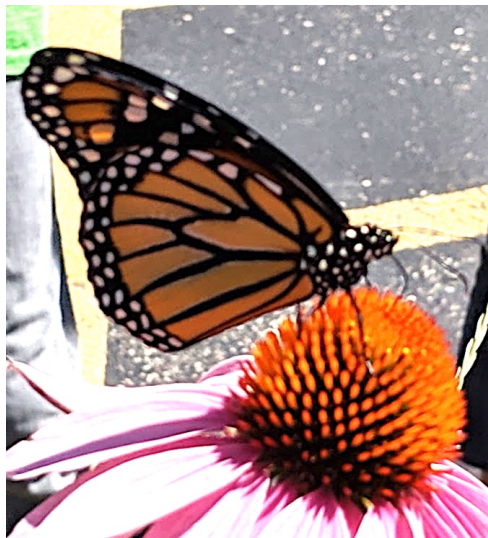




# Prairie Lakes UU Fellowship 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Camp The Power of Pollinators

*"The weather was perfect as campers participated in a wide variety of activities including crafts, music, and yoga – all centered around pollinators."*

-Jessica French, PLUUF member and camp volunteer



On Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. twenty children in grades 2-5 attended Prairie Lakes' 4<sup>th</sup> annual one-day summer camp called Power of Pollinators. Long-time PLUUF members **Judy Harris & Linda DeCramer** coordinated this event. With the help of MANY Prairie Lakes UU members, friends and a grant from the **Webster Foundation**, the 4<sup>nd</sup> annual kids camp was another huge success!





## What in the World was Happening Outside at PLUUF in July!?



Kinas Excavating was hired by PLUUF to recreate the area around the building



Asphalt was removed from the parking lot on the east side of the building where the handicapped parking was located.



This area will be planted in grass and will be used as a meditation area, or rain garden, or kids play area, or...?



Asphalt was removed between the two entrances



Rock's Concrete Service poured the new walkway and left a space near the ramp and filled with dirt. Soon it will be planted with beautiful flowers.



A gigantic branch fell on our newly excavated area



Laird DeCramer not only cleaned up the branch but laid sod in our newly developed green space. Thank you Laird and sweet Sophie 😊



## Girl Power: ENGAGE Sunday July 7



Becky Feyen, Beth Howman-Combs, Judy Morgan, and Pat Dobrinska showed up on ENGAGE Sunday July 7 to tackle the weeds and more!



Sadly, PLUUF's old air conditioner stopped working in July. Brewer Heating & Cooling replaced it with a new model (see photo). Installation was a bit complicated which made it a costly endeavor. Total cost: \$5,290. PLUUF is comfortable & cool again 😊

## Meet Our New Treasurer



Jim Goyette joined Prairie Lakes as a member in 2013 after participating for about a year in the fellowship. Having a career in information technology has allowed him to live his high school dream of being the Audio Visual guy at Prairie Lakes 😊. When not at work or the fellowship he spends time with his horses on his hobby farm or in the community offering carriage and wagon rides for various events. Striving to grow in the practice of acceptance and gratitude is the main source of Jim's inner peace. He also believes we can build a better world through science and increased empathy for the interconnected web of all existence.

## Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2019

### Board of Directors\*

#### Moderator

Becky Feyen

#### Secretary

Linda DeCramer

#### Treasurer

Jim Goyette

### At Large Representative

Pat Dobrinska

### At Large Representative

Jessica French

### Staff Position

### Administrator Manager

Tanya Schwartz-Roeper

	July 2019	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Income	\$1,427.70	\$1,427.70	\$26,004*
Expenses	\$4,718.19	\$4,718.19	\$41,375**

\*Annual Budget Income does not reflect Restricted Funds

\*\*Annual Budget Expenses will use Restricted Funds and Funds from the Common Endowment Fund to cover outdoor renovation project.

### FISCAL YEAR July 2018-June 2019 in review:

Actual Income \$27,791.59

Actual Expenses \$28,597.26

Our 2018-19 Fiscal Year was good. With the additional expense of the paid staff position we were short \$805.67 of a balanced budget. Not bad! 😊

Detailed monthly financial reports are always available at PLUUF or by request:

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