

NEWSLETTER 2/26/26

Sunday Service, 3 P.M.:
FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE
625 SOUTH ST., DAVIDSON

Please visit our events calendar for more information.
Mail: P.O. Box 991 Davidson, NC 28036

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March 1 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Are Birthdays Important?' On the day before Dr. Seuss's birthday, Rev. Pat will question our culture's obsession with cake, candles, ice cream and noting the passing of another year. Smart aleck newspaper columnist Dave Barry once wrote, "After about age eight, birthdays really should not be all that important." What do you think? The Rev. Pat Jobe joined our Fellowship on Aug. 1, 2020. He is married to his lovely spouse Gabe and is an enthusiastic supporter of UU Lake Norman, FeedNC, Heart of the Carolinas UU Animal Ministry, the Barefoot Ministry, and all work done by UUs in our area.

Services can be viewed live at 3:10 p.m., and later for replays, by visiting our website. Information on upcoming services can also be found on our Facebook page.

March 8 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Pat Jobe Explains All' At the risk of being the ultimate "mansplainer," the beloved and sometimes confused minister will tackle a challenge from our beloved and never confused newsletter editor, Bruce Henderson. Just do it all in one sermon. And the next Sunday he has a day off, so no need to worry about an encore. Pat had a seminary professor who said, "Folks, don't try to preach the whole Bible every Sunday." Pat is going way beyond that. Let's see whether he can land that plane.

The recent protest in Concord had five of us among the roughly 130 from Indivisible, Jewish Voice for Peace, MoveOn, and other groups. More than five of us are researching how ICE can legally convert a warehouse to a detention center.

The fact that the conversion may well be against the law may not deter ICE, but one of our stalwarts is contacting the ACLU to see if a federal judge will prevent ICE from opening a center on Weddington Drive in Concord. Keep reading the newsletter to learn more.

It's wretched enough to think they have detained and now deported a two-month-old baby. To think such things might happen in Concord cuts even deeper to the emotional bone.

Help Document our Story The Board has started a project to document the history of our Fellowship. Tim Brown has volunteered to lead the project and be the congregation's historian.

Please send documents, notes, and especially photographs to Tim to help document our history.

Humanists of Lake Norman Quarterly Meeting

When: This Sunday, March 1

Where: Friends Meeting House, Davidson

Time: 4 p.m. (following the 3 p.m. UU service)

Program: Noted Humanist Michael Warner. Michael has participated in many relevant UU and Humanist organizations, including as past president of the American Humanist Association. He has spoken and taught widely on the cause of Humanism and Humanistic values. His talk will be "An Idea that Counts."

There will be a brief social gathering before the meeting starts, and an opportunity to join Michael for an informal dinner following his talk. For more information, email Jeff Blum.

Our next opportunity to serve at FeedNC will be Thursday, March 12. Please contact Jim Arnold if you can help.

Auction News Seventy-two days and counting! Our auction will be held on May 9 (mark those calendars now) at Bailey's Glen Clubhouse in Cornelius. There will be silent and live auction items to bid upon, a \$5 table of fun items to purchase, food and drinks and lots of fun! This is the biggest fundraiser for the Fellowship so your donations, attendance and bidding are all very important.

Forms will be at the Fellowship service this Sunday as well as catalogs from former auctions to peruse for ideas. Here are a few items that have already been donated: a pet portrait by Sylvia; a five-course Italian dinner for 6 at Babs Vitale's home; a handknit, colorful lap afghan; a mystery dinner with the Walls; and vintage Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls. We're looking forward to having lots more fun items!

Contact Pat or Doug Wall if you have any questions.

Everyone is welcome to join the weekly Friday Action Hour, a virtual gathering of justice-seeking friends where we take action together and nurture our spirits for the work ahead. It's an opportunity to live our values.

Information, phone numbers, suggested scripts for all actions are spelled out in the Action Hour document. Join us this Friday morning at 11 via this Zoom link. If Friday doesn't work for you, please take a moment to look over the Action Hour document here. It is updated every week to describe small actions you can take to support Unitarian values through action.

Happy birthday to all our March-born members and friends:

March 1 Pat Jobe
March 7 Ray Smith
March 10 Rhodora Lawrence
March 20 Marsha Hurd
March 21 John Lawrence
March 24 Jeff Hurd

UU Lake Norman's Building Fund accepts donations to help ensure our future. For more information, please contact Alan Perkinson.

FROM OUR TREASURER

Thanks to all who have pledged to keep our Fellowship strong. You can mail your pledge to: UU Lake Norman, P.O. Box 991, Davidson 28036. To set up easy online giving from our website, just click the "Pledge or Donate" tab at the top of the page.

Join us? If you are not a member but would like more information on becoming a member, please contact Marjorie Flowers at admin@UULakeNorman.org.

Rev. Pat Jobe
UU Lake Norman Minister

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We walk diverse paths to find meaning and purpose, but we are united by our belief in the inherent worth and dignity of all, and the obligation to express our faith through acts of justice and compassion. Join us as we create a diverse, spirit-curious, and justice-seeking community.

Please send your newsletter items, suggestions or comments to Bruce Henderson at news@uulakenorman.org. The deadline for each week's newsletter is midnight Wednesday.

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