

# THE BFUU COMMUNICATOR

Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists

November 2015

# **Upcoming Sunday Services**

(Services at 10:30 a.m.)

### November 1: The End of Humanity's Longest Running Experiment: Money and its place in future human society

Rev. Marsh Agobert, Guest Worship Leader

One of the oldest human experimental paradigms (money) is coming to a close. And you can be a part of that change with only minimal effort on your part. Together, let's plant a new seed in Garden Earth.



# Happy Thanksgivin

### **November 8: Ambivalent Gratitudes**

Rev. Jay Atkinson, Guest Worship Leader November brings us two holidays that invoke gratitude: Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. While we hold gratitude for Veterans' sacrifices and their belief in our country's ideals,

some of us also have misgivings about the legitimacy of the military actions from which they return. How can we balance those feelings?

### **November 15: Finding God in the Struggle**

Amanda Weatherspoon, Guest Worship Leader

We are in a time of struggle. From Palestine to Ferguson to our own backyard, we are witnessing great turmoil and uncertainty. Through so much confusion, strife, anger, and hopelessness, one must wonder: Where is God? Through an intersection of Black Liberation Theology and Unitarian Universalism we begin to explore such questions. Join us as we explore the mystery of the struggle, what this means in our lives and in our own journeys, and what it means in our larger global community.





### **November 22: Our Visions of Fire**

Jeremiah Kalendae, Guest Worship Leader

We can wield vision like a sword that cuts through illusions, revealing hidden possibilities that bring clarity and help us to chart a course forward. It is written, "Where there is no vision, the people perish" (Proverbs 29:18), so let us explore the power of living as radical visionaries for our time!

**November 29:** This service will include a special ritual for the Transgender Day of Remembrance. More details soon!

# Board of Trustees Report

### Hello Fellow BFUUs!



As we transition from summer to fall, we are also progressing through our year of rising to the challenge of a year without a minister. The call to rise up and meet those challenges has gone out to the congregation as a whole and is being answered by many members, stepping into leadership roles and much more active participation on committees and behind the scenes. Thank you all.

As announced in our last Communicator, thirty BFUU members and friends participated at a Process of Discernment congregation-wide meeting on September 13, 2015 to address our mission and vision, and old and new ways to live our principles in changing times. The attendees broke into smaller groups to facilitate discussion on the topic of whether our mission and vision was the same or needed some adjustments. Many members said they needed to be changed, others said rather than changing them, we need to fully live into them. Each had some truth to offer. What has worked for us in the past, what could be improved, how do we see ourselves as a congregation, how does the community at large perceive what we do? These were some of the questions we addressed. Finally the question of where we would like to go from here was addressed and that question is still open, with, of course, many different opinions on the matter.

What was clear was that many members feel that while they have been glad to step up and take active roles in the absence of a minister, they would prefer to have a minister to take on supervision and guidance of Sunday Services, pastoral care, and other administrative duties. They felt that continuing indefinitely without a minister is an unsustainable situation. At the same time, I believe we are learning to break down tasks carried out by a chair alone into shared duties that require stronger intercommunication skills while increasing everyone's awareness of just how complex and multi-layered the work of sustaining the fellowship can be. It may be that we are moving out of an era in which the leaders took on all the responsibilities and more of us become leaders or leaders in training.

What steps can and should our fellowship take in discerning how to carry forward the threads of our individual and collective purposes as a congregation into a sustainable

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### Board of Trustees Report (continued from p. 2)

future – what are our current mission and vision? If with a minister, what kind of minister and what qualifies and qualifications would we need her or him to have?

BFUU Board members and congregation members at large were afforded opportunities to interview and discuss with Jared Finkelstein of the consulting group Living Seven Principles at the 9/24 Board meeting and on 9/27 after Sunday Services, regarding how he and Gregory Rouillard might help us understand our purpose currently and how to live into it as a group. At this point, the Process of Discernment Task Force (Nanci Armstrong-Temple, chair, and members Pam Norton, Ben Burch, and Frankie Hill) is considering a proposal made by Jared and Gregory.

While we are moving in uncertain and uncharted territory from "here" to "there," I am happy to see the willingness of our membership and friends to serve the congregation as a whole with love and forbearance, and with the faith that as we move together living our principles, we are growing in connecting with each other on deeper levels and stretching ourselves. We are learning new leadership skills and deepening our community-mindedness and for this I am grateful.

In love and service,

Pam Norton

**BFUU Board of Trustees President** 

### Social Justice Watch

In the absence of Holly Harwood, the Social Justice Committee (SJC) is rotating our chair until her return. The SJC continues to meet first and third Sundays from 12:30 pm until 2:00 pm. We are requesting more volunteers to fill in at the Hal Carlstad Social Justice Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays after 1:30pm. We are continuing our monthly events which include:

- 1. Transition Berkeley film series "Screening the Green" on first Thursdays
- 2. Our film series "Conscientious Projector" on second Thursdays
- 3. Open Mic on second Fridays

We are working on a fundraiser benefitting Palestinian children with the help of a Violin Concert by well-known artist Michael Dobrowski on November 21st (see details in "Upcoming Events" below.) Our last item was to support the Justice RC investing in BOCA. We can also contribute to Holly while she is unable to do her clown performances until she recovers. You can contribute at any SJC meeting in the future. Dolores Helman will be SJC Chair for November, Cynthia Johnson in December and Gail in January.

### **Regular Committee Meetings**

Buildings & Grounds
Meets once per month,
contact Ben Burch
Finance

3rd Thursday at 4:30 PM in the Fireside Room Hospitality and Membership
4th Sunday at 12:30 PM
in Fellowship Hall
Religious Education
3rd Sunday after services
in the Courtyard

Social Justice
1st & 3rd Sunday 12:30 PM
in the Preschool Room
Sunday Services
1st Tuesday at 7 PM
in the Preschool Room

# **Building and Grounds**

# You may have noticed that our spiritual home is looking good! Work Done This Fiscal Year

- 1. Install new windows in Benji, 3 double hung, one fixed.
- 2. Replace old toilets with new low flow toilet in women's bathroom (downstairs of R. E. building) and low flow faucets for sinks throughout, about half are done now (provide aerators as needed to meet new legal requirement.
- 3. New roofing and sheathing and gutters installed on F. H.; and painted and patched where siding was affected by roofing work, complete caulking of these areas.
- 4. Added a coat of high traffic floor finish to F. H. floor.
- 5. Installed roller shades in F. H. west clerestory windows.
- 6. Weather-stripped casement windows in F. H. north

- and south sides and the west clerestory windows that open,
- 7. Repaired falling ceiling panels, sticking doors, etc.
- 8. Repaired fence and replace trellis material in north yard, north west area.
- 9. Installed and painted front entrance window on Bonita side.
- 10. Repaired casement window in F. H. main entry room to open and close properly. Repaired broken latch on clerestory window (F. H.).
- 11. Repaired porch and stairway replacing or patching rotten members, correcting slope, adding rails, resetting brick, pouring concrete first step and sealing with caulk as needed. Rat proof porch and front north of building.
- 12. Routine maintenance and other misc.

## **Community Voices**

### Nothing is still

On first glance the world outside my window appears still in the mellow fall sunlight leaves green red brown and the gold of gingko but always more leaves than ever seen this time of year back East where I come from where bare trees were the rule and high wind drove the snow across the landscape.

But look! Now a gold leaf flutters to the ground a wispy spider thread glistens in the sun a wasp drones from its nest on wasp business a squirrel races along the fence into oak and gum tree and sails from one plum tree to the next in the blink of an eye.

By now I'm convinced that nothing ever is still outside my window or anywhere.

Marianne Robinson Fall 2007

# Anti-Gun Violence/Ceasefire Walks in Richmond

You can take action in support of the Black Lives Matter and anti-gun violence movements every Friday night. Walks originate at a different church in Richmond and somewhere between 100 - 200 people show up each time. We can actually do something about the racist system in our country, that disproportionately targets young black men.

The following is the schedule for this month (all at **7:00 PM** in Richmond, CA):

Nov 6 St. Mark's Catholic 159 Harbor Way Nov 13 Miracle Temple APC 2425 Cutting Blvd. Nov 20 Sion Miracle Temple 1320 Sanford Ave Nov 27 New Hope Miss. Bapt. 321 Alamo St.

For more information, please contact Rev. Donnell R. Jones, a community organizer at 510-331-3605 or donnell@ccisco.org. We hope you will join us!

Karen Dewald



### **Community Voices**



#### **Interactive Art**

Into the artists' studio canvases walk
At corner to an inked receptionist talk
As reference art is presented--appointments made---then comes the
day

day---onto to stage while the canvas waits---perhaps talks

With others---shows previous works
Art visible with clothes on---a virgin
describes or shows drawing of a bird
Out steps artist and work---one
perhaps to leave and one for a smoke
While a canvas sits and drinks cherry
coke---and admires walls covered in
Various styles of flash Tribal, Animals,
Hearts, perhaps a pin-up or two
Reminiscent of a past era's sailor
tattoos

Behind the counter another with trustee No. 2 pencil is sketching rough draft stencil

The artist summons canvas to answer questions and/or give final approval

Then zoom into the room---hears ears the buzz of the pen as colors are applied

To skin prepped with disinfectant, razor and deodorant---pen sounds like drill As colors go on Black for outline--- others fill

Then comes the last look in the mirror On goes a bandage---for an ephemeral eternity.

Seon O'Neill



### November Birthday Norman Frank

### flashback from 1995

Report-back from Cuba

Hal Carlstad and friends will present a report-back with slides and videos from the 4th Pastors for Peace Caravan to Cuba during the month of November. Join him on Saturday, January 27 at 8PM for a fascinating evening that will capture some of the spirit, determination and enthusiasm of the Caravanistas as they share their experiences.

Hal was one of the 250 Caravanistas who left for Cuba in early November, traveling east across the US in 14 different routes, picking up humanitarian aid along the way and converging in Washington, DC. There they joined some 8000 protesters in a march and rally at the White House to end the blockade against Cuba, and visited the office of various Congressional representatives.

After a successful border crossing at Buffalo, NY, they entered Canada and loaded 150 tons of humanitarian aid into containers for shipment to Cuba. In Cuba, they joined more than 3000 delegates from 109 countries in a solidarity conference to end the blockade. There were housed at the Panamanian Village built for the Latin American Olympics.

Upon his return in early December, Hal was pleasantly surprised to see the progress in painting Fellowship Hall and the rebuilding of the ramp. Having bought the paint the day before his departure, he was especially amazed to find the project nearly completed just one month later. All he could say was, "I should go away more often!"

Margo Shafer





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# THE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT CAMPAIGN: BLACK LIVES MATTER! by Tom Luce, BFUU Liaison with BOCA

Hopefully this edition of the Communicator will report next month that the BFUU congregation at its semi-annual congregation meeting endorsed The Justice Reinvestment Campaign-"JRC" in solidarity with the UUA "Black Lives Matter" AlW. I say, hopefully, because having an endorsement congregation-wide of the "JRC" has not been a regular action. BFUU with its Social Justice Committee certainly is covering a long, worthy list of social justice matters and our statement, "Social Justice In The Heart Of Berkeley", has us on board as committed. With the somewhat controversial--even within the UUA--"Black Lives Matter" movement, it probably is wise to have this be a congregational decision just as the AIW itself was passed democratically at the GA.



Many UU churches mainly in the East and South have had Black Lives Matter banners destroyed and/or vandalized and they have put them back up in clear support of the essence of the matter of dealing with the racism of our age, so murderously evident every time we look at the newspaper or T.V. The congregational vote for "JRC", The Justice Reinvestment Campaign, goes beyond supporting the display of a Black Lives Matter banner. In our case we definitely should have a banner displayed, in my opinion, with the UU "heart", trademark, the Standing On The Side Of Love heart. This UU "heart" trademark will signal our "loving" approach to fighting injustice. With the multiplicity of #BLM movements, a simple banner could signal wrong messages. Even within the JRC, there are black folks who tell us to be careful about aligning with this movement.

Far more than displaying a banner, the "JRC" takes us right to the heart of the racism problem of our day. Mass incarceration, the "New Jim Crow...how many faith groups have spent hours studying the book by Michelle Alexander? What we need to be doing is something practical and in need of massive support, the "Justice Reinvestment Campaign". And it has to be a movement that has Black leadership which includes persons with incarceration experience. That is what our Alameda County "JRC" is all about. It is not that simple. Even with some of the county agency heads friendly to reforming criminal justice, there is still a huge problem. The prison industrial system is beyond belief dug into our country.

The "JRC" is a county-wide coalition including all Black justice organizations, Ella Baker Center, Bay Area Black Workers Alliance and many more. It includes the PICO (national interfaith alliance to which we belong locally, BOCA) Oakland Community Organizing OCO. Convincing the County Supervisors, elected officials, the County Sheriff, also elected, along with the Probation Department, the District Attorney and all the others is a huge job of lobbying that takes multiple meetings and huge "town hall" gtherings. The "JRC" has had two such "town hall" meetings with 4-5 hundred in attendance and will have to have more. This is why it is so important to not only "endorse" the "JRC" but to populate the various actions.

The "JRC" is built on the well documented need for reforming the criminal justice system. All the drug laws, three strikes and you're out--the reasons why the jails are filled--these have to be repealed. Here in California we had legal reform with AB 109 back in 2013 that set up the "realignment" process of reducing penalties and bringing prisoners closer to home. And we passed Prop 47 last year that gave more opportunities to "de-incarcerate" people. The "JRC" runs information and service workshops for people in need. Most important is the consultation process known as "Participatory Budgeting." Yes, this process which has been built and documented for years now and practiced worldwide--in New York City for example-brings the community to the decision making tables where old approaches are evaluated and new ideas are proposed. Yes, the county authorities --not obliged by any law, but by common sense and by using the best thinking around--are supposed to have "Requests for proposals" (RFP's) created and screened by community agencies involved in preventing mass incarceration.

O.K. Black Lives Matter, and BFUU is working with the Berkeley Interfaith agency, BOCA, and the other county groups to change the criminal justice system here in Alameda. To help, you can sign petitions, attend rallies, support training for Prop47 people. Look for the rallies in BFUU notices and calendars. On Oct. 28th at Lake Meritt Theater there will be an anniversary rally for Prop 47 beginning at 4pm and a march at 6pm the Alameda County Supervisors building at 1221 Oak St. Check out the BOCA website for more information on Justice Reinvestment Campaign. <a href="http://berkeleybocaorg.ipage.com/">http://berkeleybocaorg.ipage.com/</a>> Click on "Issues".

### Featured BFUU Events

The Fellowship Hall (1924 Cedar St) is accessible by a ramp on the Bonita Avenue side of the Hall. The Preschool rooms are only reservable by BFUU groups and are accessible on the ground level of our Religious Education Building(1606 Bonita Ave). At this time the Connie Barbour, Fireside, and Benjy Rooms on the second floor of our Religious Education Building (1606 Bonita Ave.) are not wheelchair accessible.

### Screening the Green Film Series: Vanishing of the Bees

Thursday, November 5 at 6:30 Meet & Greet, 7 PM film in Fellowship Hall-1924 Cedar St.

Honeybees have been mysteriously disappearing across the planet, literally vanishing from their hives, and Bayer Labs (with offices in Berkeley) has something to do with it!

Known as Colony Collapse Disorder, this phenomenon has brought beekeepers to crisis in an industry responsible for pollinating crops that make up one out of every three bites of food on our tables.



"Vanishing of the Bees" follows commercial beekeepers David Hackenberg and Dave Mendes as they strive to keep their bees healthy and fulfill pollination contracts across the U.S. The film explores the struggles they face as the two friends plead their case on Capital Hill and travel across the Pacific Ocean in the quest to protect their honeybees. The documentary provides viewers with tangible solutions they can apply to their everyday lives.

After the film we'll have a discussion and information from Friends of the Earth on actions we can take in Berkeley and beyond. Please bring plastic free snacks to share if you'd like to. This event is co-sponsored by Transition Berkeley, and BFUU's Social Justice Committee.

Suggested Donation \$5 - \$10. No one turned away for lack of funds.

# Conscientious Projector Film Series: American Revolutionary: The Evolution of Grace Lee Boggs

Thursday, November 12 at 7 PM in Fellowship Hall-1924 Cedar St.



Grace Lee Boggs, who died recently at 100 years of age, was a Chinese American philospher, writer and activist in Detroit with a thick FBI file and a surprising and radical vision of what an American revolution can be. Rooted for over 75 years in the labor, civil rights and Black Power movements, she challenged a new generation to throw off old assumptions, think creatively and redefine revolution for our times.

Winner of six Audience Awards from film festivals around the world, don't miss this great film and other bonus features on the film.

Refreshments, Discussion to follow.

Suggested Donation \$5 - \$20. No one turned away for lack of funds.

### Featured BFUU Events

### **BFUU Open Mic Featuring Marcie Boyd**

Friday, November 13 at 7 PM in Fellowship Hall – 1924 Cedar St.

Join us for BFUU's monthly Open Mic night! First come, first choice of 10-minute slots, available all evening or until the slots fill up. Featured Artist(s) perform around 8:30 PM.



Marcie Boyd is the author of numerous songs including "Celibacy", "Woman in Her Prime", and "The Indecision Polka". She's a member of Occupella, the La Peña Chorus, and the Belles of Hoboken. Marcie is also an ESL teacher, a musical theatre writer, and an aspiring screenwriter. She is currently working on a new one-woman show, "When I'm Sixty-Four", which is not about the Beatles. She recently returned to the Bay Area after five years living in the Dominican Republic.

Hali Hammer is an award winning singer-songwriter who enjoys writing and playing a wide variety of music. She has sung and played for peace and political causes for over three decades and is an active member of Freedom Song Network. Her diverse work (and play) have made her comfortable performing with all age groups, from preschoolers to senior citizens.



Hali Hammer Official Website: http://www.halihammer.com Suggested donations of \$5 – \$20 will support the work of the Social Justice Committee. No one turned away for lack of funds! Volunteers appreciated!

### Concert for Palestinian Children in West Bank and Gaza

Saturday, November 21 at 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall – 1924 Cedar St.

Performance by Michael Dabroski, violinist

Michael has done numerous benefits for Palestinian children. His orchestra, the Burlington Ensemble, in Vermont has played widely.

Michael's program incorporates the classics, plus his own Suite for Palestine, and Suite for Gaza, based on his experiences there in the summer of 2014. He will share his experiences in Gaza, as well as the West Bank. Among other experiences, he had the opportunity to play with the young children's orchestra at Aida Refugee Camp.

This performance will be the first on the West Coast at which the Shehada Shalalda violin made in Palestine will be played.



Sponsors will include BFUU's Social Justice Committee, and Middle East Children's Alliance. All proceeds beyond expenses will go to Palestinian children in West Bank and Gaza, tentatively distributed by MECA and Tree of Life.

For references, contact David Good, Tree Of Life Foundation (DavidWGood@snet.net)

### Featured BFUU Events

### World in Danger: From Fukushima to California

Sunday November 22, 7 PM in Fellowship Hall - 1924 Cedar St.

The Fukushima nuclear plant disaster remains dangerous. What we might still be able to do about it? Who's monitoring radiation levels? What about California's last nuclear plant, Diablo Canyon, surrounded by a dozen earthquake faults, and San Onofre, closed in 2013 but containing tons of nuclear waste?



Nuclear engineer Arnie Gundersen and Fairewinds Director Maggie Gundersen, with Joanna Macy, environmental activist, author, scholar of Buddhism, deep ecology, whose work addresses psychological and spiritual issues of the nuclear age, Gar Smith, author "Nuclear Roulette", and Mary Beth Brangan, EON-Ecological Options Network will speak. Music by singer-songwriter Vic Sadot.

Suggested donation of \$5-\$20. No one turned away for lack of funds.

# Recurring/Ongoing BFUU Events

### T'ai Chi & Qi Gong with Gene Herman

Mondays, 4-5 PM in the Connie Barbour Room – 1606 Bonita Ave. Wednesdays, 4-5 PM in the Connie Barbour Room – 1606 Bonita Ave.

This practice improves health and well-being at any age.



#### **Elders Circle**

Tuesday November 3, 11 AM in Fellowship Hall-1924 Cedar St.

The BFUU Elders Circle meets at 11:00 AM on First Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall.

### **BFUU SpiritUUal Contemporaries**

Thursday November 5, 7-9 PM in the Benjy Room–1606 Bonita Ave.

SpiritUUal Contemporaries at BFUU, an open covenant group for self-defined middle adults, welcomes those who would like to experience open covenant small-group worship. Please contact Nanci Armstrong-Temple, fraggle94@gmail for more information.

### **Wind Song West Cafe**

Friday November 6, Noon in the Fireside Room—1606 Bonita Ave.

Join us to share music, poetry, and discussion

Suggested donations of \$5 – \$10 are welcome.

### **BFUU Second Sundays Potluck**

Sunday November 8, after service (around 12:30 PM) in Fellowship Hall-1924 Cedar St.



Come one, come all! Whether you have a dish to share or not, we invite you to join us as we break bread in the spirit of loving community. If you can, please help us set up tables and chairs before and put them away afterward. In between, join in the bounty provided by members and friends. Members, friends, neighbors, and the wider community are welcome to join us.

# Recurring/Ongoing BFUU Events



### **BFUU Game Night**

Monday November 16 at 7 PM in Preschool Kitchen – 1606 Bonita Ave.

Please join us for board games and conviviality! All ages - children are welcome! This space is wheelchair accessible.

### **BFUU Board Meeting**

Thursday November 16 at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall – 1924 Cedar St.

### **Pub Theology**

Friday November 20 at 7:00 PM at Au Coquelet (2000 University Ave., Berkeley) BFUU's young adult group meets monthly at Au Coquelet. Please contact Nanci Armstrong Temple (fraggle94@gmail.com) or Dominic Jeffries (d0minicaj101@gmail.com) for more information.



## Other Community Events held at BFUU

### Jazz in the Neighborhood: The Fred Randolph Band

Friday, November 20, 8-10 PM in Fellowship Hall - 1924 Cedar St.



The Fred Randolph Band -- with Fred Randolph (bass), Greg Wyser Pratte (drums), Matt Clark (piano), Erik Jekabson (trumpet/flugelhorn), Sheldon Brown (saxes) -- possesses extensive experience in jazz circles and an expansive vernacular. Their riveting music encompasses multi-layered compositions and a diverse palette of sounds, taking the listener on an explosive and eclectic journey across music borders and genres.

After playing together for manyyears and recording three CDs, the quintet has melded into a tight-knit force of boundless creativity, energy, and technical virtuosity. The ensemble spirit is complimented by daring improvisation and a dynamic set list, mostly originals composed by Randolph, who derives inspiration from past jazz greats, global music sounds, personal and universal experiences. According to Randolph, "Music informs the narrative of life. It is through music that one is able to listen to the heart and soul of a people. Through our music, we hope to touch your soul."

General Admission \$25 Door / \$20 advance / Students \$5 http://jazzintheneighborhood.org/ Tickets: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jazz-in-the-neighborhood-presents-the-fred-randolph-band-tickets-19181858455



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Fellowship Calendar November 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal* 10:30 am Sunday Service* 12:30 pm SJC Mtg* 8 pm AA Mtg	2 4 pm Tai Chi/ Qigong* 6 pm Tai Chi Chuan 6 pm AA Men's Mtg 6:30 pm Soul Motion	3 7:30 am Augustine Fellowship 11 am Elders Circle* 4:30 pm Sunflower Alliance 7 pm AA Men's Mtg 7 pm Sun Svc Committee Mtg*	4 7:30 am Soul Motion Mornings 4 pm Tai Chi/ Qigong* 7 pm NA Men's Mtg 7 pm Core Connexion	5 11:45 am AA Meditation 7 pm SpiritUUal Contemporaries* 7 pm Film: Vanishing of the Bees*	6 12 noon Wind Song West Cafe*	7 9 am ASCA 10 am Dr. Hu Qigong 6 pm Augustine Fellowship
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Rehearsal* 10:30 am Sunday Service* 8 pm AA Mtg	Qigong* 6 pm Tai Chi Chuan 6 pm AA Men's Mtg 6:30 pm Soul Motion	Deborah Hamouris, Event Space Coordinator, will be out of the office from October 30 - November 16th. (She'll be in Tuesday, 11/17.)				
		As always, from November through to the end of April, the New School has use of Fellowship Hall from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Monday through				

Friday.

<sup>\*</sup> denotes Fellowship event

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