

Unitarian Universalist United Fellowship

August 2018

Discussion 10:15 a.m.

Service 11:00 a.m.

No. 8

August Calendar

- August 5: **Discussion**: Margaret Evans **Program**: James Vancil, PhD "Something to Think About"
- August 12: 9:30 Board Meeting
- August 12: **Discussion**: Donna Terrence **Program**: Roy Delay "Apologies: Some Good and Some Not"
- August 19: **Share Sunday** One half of today's loose collection will go to the Free Clinic
- August 19: **Discussion**: Frances Harper **Program**: Barnali Dixon, PhD. "Key Findings: Solutions for Resilience and Adaptions in Tampa Bay!"
- August 26: Program Committee Meeting
- August 26: Discussion: Roland Chew Program: Jeffrey Harper "This is What I Know"

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Aug. 8	Ed Goldsborough
Aug. 9	Joan Burns
Aug. 19	Andrew Parkinson

Aug. 5 Susan & Hank Wellman

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The limits of tyrants is prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress.

Frederick Douglass

President's Message

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As a new school year approaches, I always wonder why the old agrarian school calendar hasn't given way to something different. The days when the children of farmers were needed in the fields during the summer and harvest are for the most part long gone. Perhaps some of our so called traditions are really just old ways of doing things that fell victim to inertia. It's easier to do things the way we did them before than to venture into new territory and rethink the reasons we do things the way we do.

I think kids are being short-changed by the brevity of the school year. It would take a lot of work and extra planning to change the status quo, but progress usually requires a little, or a lot of, discomfort. Even though I'm not a parent, I want our schools to be the best they can be. The future of our country depends on them and things haven't been going well for our public schools lately. It's up to all of us, parents or not, to support the effort to improve our public schools. We all benefit when they are given the tools they need to educate the next generation of leaders.

Donna Terrence

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To blame the poor for subsisting on welfare has no justice unless we are also willing to judge every rich member of society by how productive he or she is. Taken individual by individual, it is likely that there's more idleness and abuse of government favors among the economically privileged than among the ranks of the disadvantaged.

Norman Mailer

When a man is wrapped up in himself he makes a pretty small package.