

CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVING JUNE NEWS

June is a busy month with a variety of events for all ages.

Friday, June 6, 7 pm. "Power of Song" -

Unitarian Universalist of Canandaigua, 3024 Cooley Rd. (just off Rts. 5 & 20 going West from Canandaigua, turn right at blinking yellow light) The story of Pete Seeger. Sponsored by the Social Action Committee.

Saturday, June 14, 2-4 "Bees: Everybody's Business If You Like To Eat". 3760 Phelps Rd., Stanley. Farm of Sam Hall. The life cycle of bees and their contribution to life as we know it, enemies of the hive, visit to working hives, how we can keep bees in our neighborhood AND the role consumers can play in the preservation of bees.

CONTACT: Vince McNally at 585-738-4550 for reservations, limited to 20, and detailed directions. Free but donations welcome.

Tuesday, June 17, 11:30 to 1pm, bag lunch. Discussion of book, "Thank God for Evolution"

led by Rev. Scott Taylor, First Unitarian Church, 220 Winton Rd. N. Rochester, Susan B. Anthony room. Book for event can be purchased by contacting Richard Babin by email: rbabin@rochester.rr.com. See further events below on this topic.

Saturday, June 21, 1pm-----"Solstice Celebration", 20 Parrish Rd., Honeoye Falls (runs off Rt 64 S. of Mendon)

Celebrate the longest day of the year at beautiful Odonata Sanctuary. There will be activities for every age, including a Bluebird Box walk, Black Bear workshop, presentation on Pond Life including dragonflies and beaver and muskrat habitat, a youth presentation on Rain Forests in Costa Rica, and tour of a Solar Barn. Bring a dish to pass and stay for potluck dinner followed by a solstice ritual featuring musical instruments and dance, as well as a bonfire. Beverages and S'mores provided by hosts Steve Melcher and Cheryl Kelly. Contact: Steve or Cheryl at 585-582-2084 or odonatasanctuary@aol.com. Free event.

Tuesday, June 24, 6-7 pm, "Bears in Our Backyard", Fingerlakes Community College, FLCC Conservation/Horticulture Dept.

Free but donations accepted Black bears are making a comeback to the Finger Lakes region. Come learn about these magnificent creatures and what people can do to co-exist with them. CONTACT: Kim Babcock at 585-394-6704 or kk1177@hotmail.com

Saturday, June 28, 10am to noon, Fossil Hunt, Onanda Park, W. Lake Rd., Canandaigua, Upland Parking Lot,

Have you ever wanted to go on a real live fossil hunt? Search beautiful Onanda Park for traces left behind by prehistoric creatures. Aimed at children 5 to 13 years old, but all welcome. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for trekking through water and over slippery rocks. Kim Babcock, Technician at Finger Lakes Community college will lead this search for traces left behind by prehistoric creatures. Contact Kim at 585-394-6704 or kk1177@hotmail.com. Donations accepted.

Saturday, June 28 Shimmering Light Farm's First 2008 Potluck and Barn Dance

with the Wild Roots Band and Richard Sauvain as caller. Lots of fun at 6141 Hicks Rd. half way between Naples and Canandaigua off Rt. 21

5:30 potluck (Bring dish to pass, beverage and table setting) followed by dance. \$10 donation (children free) supports Seeking Common Ground.

Rev. Michael Dowd and Connie Barlow

Saturday June 28, Book signing of "Thank God for Evolution" by author, Rev. Michael Dowd,

who with his wife, Connie Barlow, acclaimed science writer has lived permanently on the road sharing the sacred view of evolution with religious and secular audiences of all ages. Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Pittsford Plaza.

Sunday, June 29, 10am, Unitarian Universalist Church of Canandaigua, 3024 Cooley Rd., Canandaigua (W. of Canandaigua, North of Rtes. 5 & 20 at yellow blinking light).

Connie Barlow will be the lay leader at the worship service, which will be followed by a potluck lunch.

12 noon, "River of Life", a one hour intergenerational workshop. Join **Connie Barlow** in a journey back to the beginning of time. We will greet our animal ancestors along the way with lots of pictures, science, song and play! RESERVATIONS : CONTACT Val Doyle at 585-624-7736 or ivdoyle@rochester.rr.com Free to the public. Donations helpful to support Connie and Michael's traveling education.

Sunday, June 29, 10 a.m. First Unitarian Church of Rochester, 220 Winton Rd. South, Michael Dowd will be guest preacher. CONTACT: Mary Lyubomirsky, 585-385-1848 or lyubys@rochester.rr.com

Sunday, June 29, 5 pm to 8pm, Lake Ave. Baptist Church, 57 Ambrose St., Rochester. Michael Dowd will lead a workshop on the Universe Story, following a potluck supper. Co-sponsored by the Greater Rochester Community of Churches, The Interfaith Alliance of Rochester, Living in Harmony with God, and Center for Sustainable Living. CONTACT: Alison Clarke, accompost@gmail.com, Elizabeth Pixley, 585-334-0977 or Julie Carter, 271-4475.

Wednesday, July 9 7 pm, Unitarian Universalist Church of Canandaigua, 3024 Cooley Rd., Michael Dowd will lead a workshop on the Universe Story. CONTACT: Alison Clarke, 585-394-0864 or accompost@gmail.com

The visit of Connie Barlow and Michael Dowd is sponsored by the Center for Sustainable Living, The Unitarian Universalist Church of Canandaigua and the First Unitarian Church of Rochester. Though there is no charge for these events, your donations, as well as sales of books and tapes provide total funding for their work. We encourage you to give a free will offering at these events. Check their websites for more information www.thegreatstory.org

RESOURCES: Thank God for Evolution, now published by Penguin/Viking Press will be available in the bookstores by June 23. However, Michael Dowd sent us some books he had, in order to have them for the June 17 discussion group. If you would like one now, contact Alison at accompost@gmail.com or rbabin@rochester.rr.com. For these pre-books, the price is less...\$21.50 made out to "First Unitarian Church of Rochester" and put at bottom: for book This book brings together science and religion and has 9 pages of comments favoring the book.. I feel it could be healing of divisions among people.

ADVOCACY: Climate Change: For the first time there are several bills relating to climate change. One supported by the National Campaign for Sustainable Agriculture is S2191. Check it out and know your advocacy helps.

The other bill of interest is the "Bigger Better Bottle Bill" leading advocates statewide have written about The Sierra Club has taken a leading role which has support of many groups including Gov. Patterson. Contact your State Assembly and Senators to pass this before the session runs out.