

nouvelles news

March-April 2016 mars-avril



Events this Month

All Sunday services start at 10:30 am unless otherwise specified.
We have an active children's program during our Sunday service, at which all children are warmly welcome

March 4, 11:00 am
Pauline Farrugia

“Autumn Genius: Jacques-Jules Bouffil”

Mini talk (in English) and concert revealing the genius of a musician/composer's work in later life. Followed by a light lunch (free for seniors over 60). Reserve in advance at estria@cgocable.ca or 819-842-1072. Upstairs, in the sanctuary.

WELCOME FAMILIES! Later, at 5:30 p.m., downstairs in Stoddard Hall, a pot luck supper for families with young children, and adult allies. Welcome all. Info: Amanda Hillenburg, 819-993-7543.

Upstairs, in the Sanctuary

Service Leader: Pauline Farrugia



Last concert, on February 5, “The Genius of Florent Schmitt” Photo: Riet Patella

A great turnout!

March 6

Ms. Jane Gowman

“The Life of a Farm Wife in a Modern First-World Country”

Jane Gowman is a mother who lives and farms with her husband Alex Brand. Their farm is on Rte 143 in Hatley.

Service Leader: Rev. Carole Martignacco

Musician: Mike Matheson

Coffee Convenor: Kevin & Lin Jensen

March 11, 5 pm

“Student Hospitality Supper”

In Lennoxville. If you would like to volunteer, contact Rev. Carole, 819-842-4146.

Away from UU Estrie

Service Leader: Rev. Carole Martignacco

March 13

“Spirit of Play V”

A morning devoted entirely to strengthening our multi-generality, and our sense of play. Games and popcorn, mixing adults and children. Bring a game or two if you like.

NB: Daylight Saving Time begins today!

Service Leader: Keith Baxter

March 17, 5:30pm

“Pledge Dinner”

Come and be entertained, and learn about UUEstrie's financial situation. Downstairs, in Stoddard Hall.

March 20

Mr. Steve Luxton

“The Poetry of Nature: From the Bible to Ecopoetics”

Poet Steve Luxton will give a reading of his poetry on the theme of nature.

Service Leader: Esther Saanum

March 23, 7:00pm

Carole Martignacco

“Charter for Compassion I”

First of 3 presentations (7 to 9:30 p.m., in English, downstairs in Stoddard Hall) on the Charter for Compassion, proposed by TED prize winner, author and provocative thinker KAREN ARMSTRONG. We will watch her TED talk entitled "My Wish - A Charter For Compassion," describing how her project draws upon universal shared values and transcends differences among the world's great religions. Guided discussion. Refreshments. For details, please email info@uuestrie.ca or call 819-842-4146.

Service Leader: Rev. Carole Martignacco

March 27

Rev. Carole Martignacco

“Spirit of Life and Renewal”

Celebrate the arrival of Spring with story, poetry and song. Intergenerational egg-colouring and exchange.

Upstairs, in the Sanctuary

March 30, 7:00pm

Carole Martignacco

“Charter for Compassion II”

Session 2 of 3 on the Charter for Compassion. While compassion is intrinsic in all human beings, Karen Armstrong says, each of us needs to work diligently to cultivate and expand our capacity for compassion. We will watch a second TED talk by Armstrong, "Let's Revive the Golden Rule," followed by discussion and overview (with handouts) from her book, 12 Steps to A Compassionate Life. Guided discussion. Refreshments. (7 to 9:30 p.m., in English, downstairs in Stoddard Hall.) For details, please email info@uuestrie.ca or call 819-842-4146.

Service Leader: Rev. Carole Martignacco

April 2, 7:00 pm

“Coffee House: Poetry Readings”

An evening of varied readings by poets, in a coffee house ambiance, from 7pm.

Service Leader: Carole Martignacco

Also, this first Saturday morning in April, from 9 a.m. on, is our **Spring Cleanup** day #1. As many as can are needed to come out for a couple hours to clean up, polish up, fix up our building and grounds. A list of jobs and basic cleaning supplies will be available. Join in fellowship, as many hands make light work.

April 3

Mr. TBA

April 6

Carole Martignacco

“Charter for Compassion III”

Compassionate Communities – A Global Movement is the theme of this third of 3 presentations. In 2009, the “Council of Conscience,” a gathering of religious leaders and thinkers, crafted the Charter of Compassion. Since then, the movement has started compassionate communities and cities throughout the world. We will receive copies of the Charter, with an opportunity for individuals to add their signatures. We will explore how the Charter has become a global movement, been adopted by organizations and cities throughout the world, and discuss how we might join in creating our own compassionate communities close to home. Guided discussion. Refreshments. (7 to 9:30 p.m., in English.) For details, please email info@uuestrie.ca or call 819-842-4146.

Service Leader: Rev. Carole Martignacco

April 9

Cleanup Day #2 from 9am. For those who couldn't make it on the 2nd, or didn't finish what they wanted to get done, or recognize that there are still jobs that need doing, we welcome you all.

Also on this day is the second annual **Opening to the Spirit retreat**, a one-afternoon event held at St. Paul's United Church in Magog, from 1:30 to 5pm, co-animated by Rev. Carole and an inter-faith group of her fellow ministers from here in the Townships. For info, speak to Rev. Carole.

April 10

Ms. Deborah Hartt

“The Children Bring Tears to My Eyes”

Deborah Hartt is a Canadian living in Vermont who has traveled to India several times to volunteer as an intern at Child Haven homes there.

Service Leader: Keith Baxter

April 12, 6:00 pm

Robin Cappuccino and Deborah Hartt

“Child Haven Benefit Dinner & Silent Auction”

On this Tuesday evening at 6 pm at Shalimar Restaurant in Lennoxville, the third annual Lennoxville CHILD HAVEN BENEFIT DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION, co-sponsored by UUEstrie. Speak to Uma Nigam for tickets, or call Phyllis Baxter at 819-346-8273. Please note that places at the dinner are limited; you are encouraged to get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

Away from UU Estrie

April 16

Spring Cleanup Day #3, from 9 am. If you couldn't make one of the earlier cleanup days, or are simply willing to see another of the cleanup jobs yet to be accomplished through to completion, please join us at a time convenient for you.

April 17

Ms. Cindy Reynolds

“Environment and Religion”

Cindy Reynolds is a young adult schoolteacher from the Cowansville area who is thinking seriously of going to seminary to become a minister.

Upstairs, in the Sanctuary

Service Leader: Crystle Reid

April 24

Rev. Carole Martignacco

“TBA”

After the service: "Soup for Syria" - have a bowl of hearty soup as a benefit for Syrian refugees.

Advance Notice: Happy Endings

This series of workshops on end-of-life issues that took place last year at Uplands in

Lennoxville is now coming to Stoddard Hall beginning on April 27, from 10am to noon, and continuing weekly through all the Wednesdays of May. Look for more information closer to the time.

Remembering Nancy Pacaud

Nancy Pacaud recently passed away. She was one of the pillars of the Unitarian Universalist Church of North Hatley for many years. Her contributions were many and varied, both in time, attention and financially. In a sense, UUEstrie is a living memorial to her. We remember her with gratitude, and with sincere sympathy for her family and many friends. She is sorely missed!

Here are [two photos](#) of her at the May Pole Dance on May Day, 2009, at UUEstrie.

-- Rachel



The other one is on the back page.



Minister's Reflection - Carole's Column

What busy lives we all lead. As we go to press, Rev. Carole is promising her column by Tomorrow.

So, please look for it at www.uuestrie.ca in the coming days, under

["Minister's Blog"](#)



President's Report

Likewise, our president is racing between meetings and job, her report will be found under ["President's](#)

[Capsule"](#)

... And furthermore,

You should really get in the habit of checking out all the Recent Activity – box on the right – as we move away from a printed newsletter toward more frequent on-line content.

Special Thanks this Month

To Amanda Hillenburg for posting regular news on our website and maintaining a presence on Facebook as well.

To Keith and Francois, for tracking down and fixing a heating problem.

Denominational affairs

If you are a member, you probably get the Canadian Unitarian newsletter by email. Current and past issues can be found on-line at <http://cuc.ca/the-canadian-unitarian/> You can also request a paper copy there.

As well, the monthly ENews is available at <http://cuc.ca/enews/>

New Members

In January, we welcomed three new members to UUEstrie: Esther Saanum, Ryan Frizzell, and Crystle Reid.



From left to right: Mike Matheson, musician, Esther Saanum, Ryan Frizzell, Crystle Reid, Rev. Carole Martignacco and UUEstrie president Rachel Garber

Photos: Amanda Hillenburg

Townships Tellers

In lieu of our normal service ton January 17, we were treated to stories by the Townships Tellers as well as other local tellers. This was followed by a potluck lunch. Thank you to all who attended and shared stories and dishes.



From left to right: Shirley Nortcliff, Ann Rothfels, Heather Davis, Michel Thibeault, Elizabeth Copeland, Jason Krpan

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Please respect the Minister's sabbath, Sunday
afternoon and Monday.
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Beltane, 2009. Nancy Pacaud, seated, in centre.

Calendar and Schedule

FRI 4 11:00AM AUTUMN GENIUS
SUN 6 10:30AM SERVICE: JANE GOWMAN
FRI 11 5:00PM STUDENT SUPPER
SUN 13 10:30AM SERVICE: SPIRIT OF PLAY
THUR 17 5:30PM PLEDGE DINNER
SUN 20 10:30AM SERVICE: STEVE LUXTON
TUES 22 1:00PM BOARD MEETING
WED 23 7:00PM CHARTER FOR COMPASSION
SUN 27 10:30AM SERVICE: REV. CAROLE
WED 30 7:00PM CHARTER FOR COMPASSION

APRIL

SAT 2 9:00AM CLEANUP DAY
7:00PM POETRY READINGS
SUN 3 10:30AM SERVICE: TBA
WED 6 7:00PM CHARTER FOR COMPASSION
SAT 9 9:00AM CLEANUP DAY #2
1:30PM OPENING/SPIRIT RETREAT
SUN 10 10:30AM SERVICE: DEBORAH HARTT
TUES 12 6:00PM CHILD HAVEN DINNER
SAT 16 9:00AM CLEANUP DAY #3
SUN 17 10:30AM SERVICE: CINDY REYNOLDS
SUN 24 10:30AM SERVICE: REV. CAROLE
WED 27 10:00AM HAPPY ENDINGS W'KSHOP

Board of Trustees

You have elected this board to take care of business. The Board generally meets on the **third Tuesday** of each month at 1:30pm, but check for changes. Please discuss your hopes and concerns with any member:

Rachel Garber	President
Heather Lewis	Vice-President
Adele Ernstrom	Secretary
	Treasurer
Michael Grayson	Member at large

This is your newsletter !!!

Next issue of Newsletter is May-June 2016

Deadline: ***April 24.***

Please send photos, or write your contribution on paper, parchment, or computer. Give to the newsletter committee in person or send by email to newsletter@uuestrie.ca.