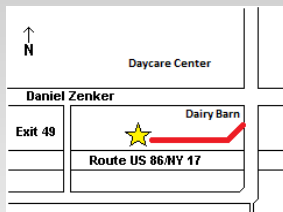


Welcome to the  
Unitarian Universalist  
Fellowship of Big Flats.

We are an intentionally  
inclusive congregation,  
welcoming all!

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Formal Services are held  
September through mid-June

**Sunday mornings**

**10:30-11:30**

with a casual coffee hour  
following.

Informal Summer Services  
are held mid-June through  
the beginning of September.

No matter what time  
of year...

*Please join us!*

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Big Flats, NY

# January 2013 Uni-Verse



## January Service Schedule

January 6: Ron Telford will discuss the repression of spiritual discovery through the concept of Original Sin and the Tree of Knowledge.

January 13: Rev. Darcey Laine: "*First Things First.*"

January 20: *UU Shall Overcome!* All of us have faced challenges in our lives – be they financial, health, relationships, or loss. Jeni Paquette will lead a group discussion on sharing these challenges, how we got through them, and what we have learned in the process.

January 27: Welcome Joe Sammons, **CEO of Planned Parenthood of the Southern Finger Lakes**. He will give a brief history and overview of the work and challenges facing this organization. *Service Leader:* Alta Stevenson

## February Preview...

February 3: "*The Righteous Mind: The Psychology of Morality and Politics*" By Jonathan Haidt. Welcome back Dr. Ben Lovett, Professor at Elmira College as he discusses this book. It examines the differences between liberal and conservative views on morality, attempting to explain why people with political differences so often talk past each other. *Service Leader:* Corey McCall.

# Carolyn's Column

I am elated that Old Man Winter is doing exactly what he ought to be doing, although that does imply judgment about the guy. I don't presume to know what us flesh and blood folks ought to be doing. I do feel that we UUs should frequently consider the ways in which we serve our Fellowship, and each of us should set our own criteria for whether we are doing what we ought.

The start of a new year provides a reminder to consider what we have done and to really ponder, and perhaps commit to, what we will do in all aspects of life (but in this column, I am focusing on our Fellowship). Perhaps YOU could do a little better, according to your own individual standards, to maintain and or improve our Fellowship.

A bunch of changes are happening! Cathleen Deery has resigned from the board, but is con-

tinuing to serve by teaching Religious Education. John Shook has resigned from his position as Nursery Caregiver. I am publicly thanking them for the work they have done.

Alas, worry not! Jackie Wilson has agreed to join the board and Jen Spicer will take over in the Nursery for 2013; Colleen McCall will take Jen's place on the Religious Education committee. Also, Alta Stevenson has agreed to chair the Nominating Committee, and Karen Reynolds is now chair of the Building Committee. Let's welcome them –and endeavor to help them– in their new positions!

This time of changes may be the right time to increase your involvement in our Fellowship (there is no wrong time) in ways that fit with your abilities and values. Think about how you can make us better, and either just do it or talk to someone on our board about it. C'mon!

~ Carolyn, President



## Fellowship Hosting Schedule

Hosting is a service we provide one another. If you are unable to host on the day that you've been assigned, please make arrangements for someone else to take your place.

Date	Hosts
January 6	Telford, Ricotta
January 13	Frost, Glenn/Martin
January 20	Maloney/Halm, C&J Peck
January 27	Reynolds, Brenner
February 3	Deery, Monroe
February 10	Pacquette, Scopelitti
February 17	Allen, Mann
February 24	Potters, Vikins

*Music News*

**Congratulations to the Children's RE program on their successful performance of "When Jesus Was a Kid!" Thanks especially to Anna Deery for writing the script and Dan Maloney for helping out by playing guitar on the song.**

**The Adult Choir rehearses every Sunday, except the second Sunday of the month, at 9:30 in the sanctuary. They sing for services on the first and third Sundays. We are always accepting new members and are looking forward to growing and singing music increasing in difficulty!**

**Thanks! ~ Elizabeth ~**

## Calendar and Community Events and Happenings!

- Jan 1, **Tuesday:** New Year's Day 2013
- Jan 14, **Monday:** **Comedy Club 3**, Clemens Center, Elmira
- Jan 17, **Thursday:** **5:30-7:30 CMOG 2300: "Finger Lakes Finest"**
- Jan 21, **Monday:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance
- Jan 25/26, **Fri/Sat:** **Wine on Ice**, First Arena, Elmira
- Feb 2, **Saturday:** **Valley Folk Music**, 171 Cedar Arts, Corning
- Feb 8, **Friday:** **5p-8p Cabin Fever**, Corning, NY

# New Year Crossword

Want to include something in future newsletters?

**Easy!**

Email Chris (by the 15th of the month before) at [ceemarie1971@verizon.net](mailto:ceemarie1971@verizon.net)

Want to Add an Event to the Online Calendar?

**Anyone can!**

Go to <http://www.bigflatsuu.org>  
Click on "Calendar"  
Click on the small "Google Calendar" logo in the lower right corner.

Log in using email: [calendar@bigflatsuu.org](mailto:calendar@bigflatsuu.org)  
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Create/change events!

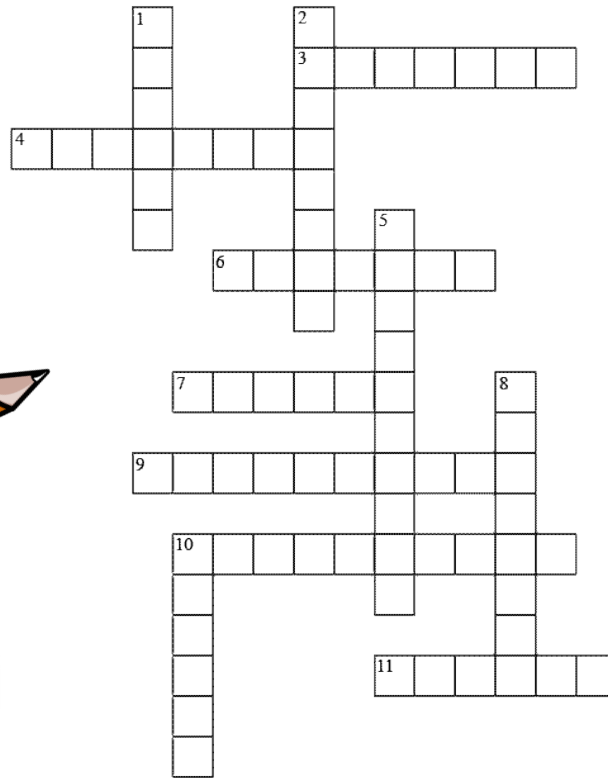
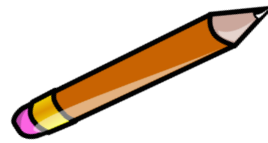
**REMINDER**

All members are welcome to attend board meetings, which normally take place the second Sunday of the month prior to the service (9:30, unless you hear otherwise.)



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**Across**

3. A "good luck" vegetable that is consumed on New Year's Day
4. Twelve 'o clock at night, the highest point of New Year's celebrations
6. The month that follows December 31st is
7. A ceremonial procession including people marching with bands
9. A promise to do something in the new year
10. A horn or rattle used to make noise at a party
11. People born on New Year's Day are commonly called New Year \_\_\_\_\_

**Down**

1. Polar Bear \_\_\_\_\_, a New Year's activity that requires you to enter into water, mainly for charity
2. The famous song, "Auld Lang Syne, commonly sung to bring in the new year originated in
5. He is the personification of time
8. Small pieces of coloured paper or streamers
10. The Iranian new year holiday is called this

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