

Welcome to the  
Unitarian Universalist  
Fellowship of Big Flats.

We are an intentionally  
inclusive congregation,  
welcoming all!

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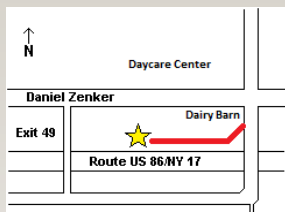
## Service Schedule

October 4: A Better Way, with Elizabeth Whitehouse - Elizabeth Whitehouse will discuss her recently published book, "A Better Way." Join us in hearing her thoughts on why the world needs saving and what you can do to help. *Service Leader:* Leslie and Frank Potter

October 11: Staying Home?, with Rev. Darcey Laine ~ In our highly mobile society, there is value in remembering to put down roots, to invest in the place where you live and take the time to create the web of relationships which supports life. But not everyone is able to stay in one place, not everyone WANTS to stay in one place. How can we create a healthy balance between staying home and moving?

October 18: Course Corrections, with Rev. Gary McCaslin ~ He will discuss the scripture Mark 7:24-37 – the story of Jesus and the Syrophenician Woman. The story prompts this question: Since there are very few people who have a spiritual journey that follows a straight line, where are the times and places in our lives where a little "course correction" is necessary in order to stay on the path to wholeness? *Service Leader:* Jeni Paquette

October 25: The Help for the Home Shop ~ An update on our work, presented by UUFBF member Marcia Allen. *Service Leader:* Sonia Gilabert-Vikin



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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!

# A Message from our Treasurer, Sonia...

## First Sunday Collection

Every year, our Fellowship donates the collections from the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month to three local charities. Our September 6<sup>th</sup> survey results were:

- ◆ Planned Parenthood of the Southern Tier
- ◆ Friends of the Chemung River Front
- ◆ Food Bank of the Southern Tier

## Planned Parenthood of the Southern Tier Milestones.....

- 1970 - Churches donate space so that Planned Parenthood can offer services to the Hornell community.
- 1972 - Patient numbers jump from 103 in 1969 to 2,345
- 1972 - Planned Parenthood of Chemung County – Corning, Inc. changes its name to Planned Parenthood of the Southern Tier, Inc.
- 1973 - Five clinic sites are operating. Centers in Elmira and Corning are open full time, and the remainder are mobile units traveling to rural areas.
- 1985 - PPST starts a pre-natal program, successfully serving women for several years.
- 1986 - PPST opens the current Hornell office.
- 1988 - PPST starts confidential HIV testing.
- 1991 - With generous support from donors, PPST opens its Margaret Sanger-Katherine Houghton Hepburn Clinic in Corning.
- 1996 - PPST begins offering services as Rape Crisis of the Southern Tier. In the same year, PPST becomes the lead agency for the Community Based Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program of Chemung County.
- 1999 - PPST's current Elmira center opens.
- 2003 - PPST & PP of Tompkins County make the decision to merge, uniting for choice.
- 2004 - Planned Parenthood of the Southern Finger Lakes is legally ONE!

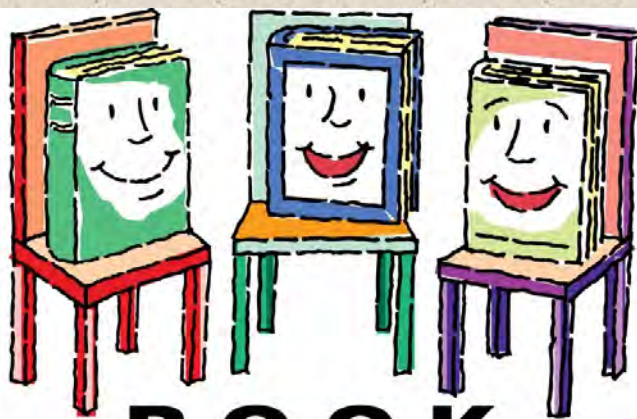
Others that came close: Humane Society & SPCA of Big Flats, Camp Good Days, Kramer Foundation; the last two will appear in next year's tally sheet. Thank you to all for your input.

## Months of Collection:

<b>Oct, Nov, Dec</b>	Planned Parenthood of the Southern Finger Lakes
<b>Jan, Feb, March</b>	Friends of the Chemung River
<b>April, May, June</b>	Food Bank of the Southern Tier

Like last year, monies collected will be equally divided: 50% to the designated charity and 50% to fellowship's miscellaneous income account.

~ Sonia, Treasurer



**BOOK**

**DISCUSSION**

**GROUP**

## Anyone interested?

The UUA Common Read program has several interesting books with discussion notes, etc.

Look at: <http://www.uua.org/re/adults/read>.

The Common Read selection for 2015-16 is *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*, by Bryan Stevenson.

**If you are interested in this, please talk to Janice Fitzpatrick, 607-973-2605**

# Community Events and Happenings

**Oct 3, Sat, 11-5:** Keuka Harvest Fest, Hammond-sport

**Oct 12, Mon:** *Native Americans' Day/Indigenous People's Day*

**Oct 20-21, Tue-Wed, 7:30p:** The Producers,

Clemens Center

**Oct 31, Sat:** Halloween

**KIDZ KORNER**



## Renewing the Family Sized Church

A Conference for congregations under 75 members:  
Saturday, November 21, 2015, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm  
UU Church of East Aurora, NY

**\$10 donation at the door**  
**Registration deadline is November 18.**

### Topics:

**It Takes a Village** – Including Children and Youth  
**Barn-raising** – connecting to other congregations  
**Joining the Family** – getting from visitor to member  
**Telling our Stories** – Themes and Lay Preaching

Contact Rev. Renee Ruchotzke with questions [rruchotzke@uua.org](mailto:rruchotzke@uua.org)

## Second Place East Donation Reminder

**October: Shaving Cream**  
**November: Deodorant**  
**December: Cooking Utensils**  
**(Spoon/Spatula)**

Donations can be placed in the box at the front entrance of the Fellowship.  
**Thank you! ~ Marcia Allen**

## 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
Oct 4	Potter, Brenner
Oct 11	Maloney/Halm, Martin/Glenn
Oct 18	Vikin, Scopelliti
Oct 25	Paquette, Fitzpatrick
Nov 1	Potter, Wosinski
Nov 8	Allen, Telford, Wilson
Nov 15	McCall, Brenner, Spicer
Nov 22	Maloney/Halm, Martin/Glenn

Want to include something in future newsletters?

**Easy!**

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



Welcome, Cassie! Our new

**CHILD CARE**

Nursery Attendant!

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**



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## CRAFT-N-CHAT

Bring your fave hobby or craft and enjoy some coffee and company, away from the hustle and bustle!

**Wed 10/21,**  
**10-1 @ the**  
**UUFBF**

