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A Welcoming Congregation

- a member congregation of the Unitarian Universalist association -

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SUNDAY SERVICES

held in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m.

[WELCOME BACK, BILL!](#)

4/4 “Out from Beneath the Stone” – Bill Sasso

Well, I know that most of us are not supernatural beings, but perhaps we have wondered how it might feel to return to life after death? Have you ever known anyone who has done so? Our Easter Sunday service will consider what the unlikely experience might entail, and what we might learn about it from a real-life story of a Unitarian Universalist.

4/11 “The Gift of Giving” – Bill Sasso

Is it natural to give, or more natural not to do so? Is there a principle of generosity within the natural world? As we enter our annual Stewardship Campaign, we’ll think about these questions, and attempt to come to a better understanding of the role that giving plays in our own human natures, too!

4/18 “For the Beauty of the Earth” – Bill Sasso

Amidst the flowering trees of Spring in southern Illinois, we can appreciate the beauty of the Earth quite easily. In the midst of the sweltering summer, or during a derecho, or slipping out of control in an ice storm, that deep appreciation may be harder to offer. How does the image of the interconnected web of life help us as we grapple to embrace both the wonders of nature, and its terrors? Join Bill as he reflects on these questions, and offers some answers!

4/25 “Graduation and Affirmation Sunday

To honor the achievements of all of our graduates, we dedicate this Sunday to consider graduation as one of our society’s major rites of passage. Parents of those graduating from 8th grade will “affirm” their children, while several of those graduating from high-school will speak for themselves. Bill Sasso will coordinate this service.

And coming up . . .

5/1 “Depression and Spirituality: an Intersection of Faith” – Kim Asner-Self

OPEN MINDS

meets at 8:45 AM each Sunday in the Commons Area

April 4 – “Frank Lloyd Wright in Chicago” – Terry Elliot

April 11 – Not confirmed yet – TBA in weekly bulletin

April 18 – “Riding the Rails” – Bob Lembcke

April 25 – “Reflections on Yahweh” – Larry Bernstein

THE MINISTER’S MESSAGE

As the Sabbatical Concludes

As I write this, my sabbatical has only a few days left – in less than a week, I return to my service with you and the Fellowship! I expect and hope to return with a combined sense of peace and energy, two qualities that don’t always mesh well for me. Yet I seem to carry them in tandem at the moment, and I can hope to bring them with me in my return.



I know that we have a lot going on as I return! Easter is almost upon us, and following close on its heels are our Stewardship evening, and the Stewardship campaign itself. Soon after that, we’ll celebrate our graduates, appreciate our mothers, and recognize our members, and the next thing we know, we’ll be electing new leaders for the Fellowship! Between the arrival of Spring, the graduation season, and all the activity around the Fellowship, April and May can easily turn into a blur of green frenzy!

As I think about electing new leaders, it reminds me how much I appreciate those who are willing to serve as elected leaders of this congregation. Our elected leaders make a huge difference in who we are as a congregation and what we can

accomplish together. They not only make many decisions and set Fellowship policies, but they also set examples for how we interact with each other within this community. They often take leadership on work that we need to do, especially when no one else appears willing to be the first to step forward.

As they serve in these roles, I know that many of our leaders come to a broader, more integrated understanding of the Fellowship. I would also like to think that they grow deeper in their understanding of themselves both as community leaders and as human beings. Sometimes they learn new ways of facilitating congregational initiatives and achievements. I often see that the experience, while sometimes daunting, comes to be both fulfilling and enjoyable. From my vantage point, it can be very exciting to see a good group process unfold over time and create exciting results.

While I am still away, I know that our Nominating Committee has begun its work. Its members have been contacting those individuals whom it regards as most ready to serve as part of our congregational leadership. If the Committee has contacted you, I sincerely hope you will give their invitation serious thought, even if you have a good reason why now is “not the right time.” Now may not be the perfect time, but the perfect time may

never come! And this may be the time when the congregation needs you – your experiences, your qualities, your perspectives! – more than it ever has before. So please give the Nominating Committee's request your serious consideration, should you receive it!
And in closing, please join me in thanking all those who have served as our elected leaders – those

who serve currently, and all those who have previously served on our Board of Trustees. Without them, this Fellowship would be much less than it is!

With appreciation, Bill Sasso

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

“Good Question – of course it is!”

That was **my** response to the title of an article by Michelle Richards, from the uuworld.org site UU Parenting. The title was, “Is Unitarian Universalism for Kids?”



I remember a time, years ago, when it wasn't uncommon for some Director's of Religious Education, and many parents, to feel that it was inappropriate indoctrination to raise our kids to be UU. After all, many of us are here today because we did not like the religious indoctrination we experienced as children. And of course, a good UU is supposed to have freedom to decide for him or her selves where their religious and spiritual road takes them.

Michelle states, and I agree, that “Unitarian Universalism is much more than a place to go when you're running away from something. At the heart of our religion is the idea of questioning, seeking, wondering, exploring ideas, and changing our minds when new things become important.” Children are the future of our liberal religion, and I for one believe it is a noble thing to aspire to raise our children UU. If you're looking for more information about UU Parenting and religious education, uua.org, and uuworld.org, are good resources to start with. “Is Unitarian Universalism for Kids?” -- How do you feel?

To shift gears just a little, and you probably will want your calendar for this, here is what's ahead in the next few months relative to Religious Education Program.

- The middle school is hosting an Easter Egg hunt, after service, on 04 April. Bring a half-dozen plastic filled eggs per child, and leave them in the middle school room.
- The annual Stewardship Dinner is 10 April, and the Science Center will be putting on a program from 6:30-7:30. The nursery will be open. Parents will provide food and drinks for all.
- Our middle school is repeating their efforts to highlight the problem of homelessness by constructing another Cardboard City, April 17. They will be providing more information on this, and how you can help, so keep your eyes open.
- “Summer Sunday's” starts on 06 June. That is the first Sunday that our volunteer teachers take a break, and the rest of you offer your love and talents and time to the children that are with us on Sunday's during the summer. It is a one-room-school design that meets in the RE Commons – yep, one big class of all ages. There is a sign-up sheet in the RE Wing (you can't miss it by the sink). Look for more info on this in the Wednesday

bulletin, but know that you are invited to spend a Sunday with our children sharing a travel experience, your hobby, story telling, music, art, gardening..... I told you you'd need your calendar

- Camping. I love this, and look forward to it every year. We are going camping, June 18-20, at Lake Glendale (it's just east of Vienna). We have our own group campsite, on the lake. We take kayaks, boats, dogs, bikes, games, and lots of food. Definitely mark your calendar for some or all of that weekend, and come join us. Awesome way to get to know each other. Hiking, swimming, smores...
- SWAP (summer week-long awesome program): This weeklong program will meet the week of August 02-06. The theme is "Time Travel," and we will explore, among other things, Medieval

times, Early Settlers, Native Americans, China, and the Future (think Avatar). Look for more information of this, and give some thought to how you can help. We usually meet from 9AM-noon, but we want to talk to you all to see if an alternative would work better. You will hear more about this. (If you have questions on any of the above, please call me at 559-7870)

Whew, that should give you some opportunities to become involved in some aspect of the RE program. If you still need more, please consider helping out in one of the classrooms some Sunday morning. As I've said so many times before, you will value the time spent with the kiddies, and they will appreciate getting to know you better. Finally, if you still need more, consider joining the Religious Education Committee.

Keep learning and loving, Roy Sumner

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

We are rapidly approaching the annual Stewardship Drive. The theme of this year's Stewardship Drive is "2011: Journey to Liberal Religion." We celebrate our rich history and look to a bright future.

The Board of Trustees lists 7 priorities for the coming year:

- *Sustain and Enhance Current Programs for Ourselves and the Community,
- *Support our staff,
- *Demonstrate stewardship in Budgeting,
- *Become a Green Sanctuary,
- *Increase Membership,
- *Implement the Communications Initiative, and
- *Complete the Strategic Plan for Building and Grounds.

This is our plan to sustain a really dynamic congregation. We have so many activities/services in so many different areas that everyone can find at least one that appeals to them/meets their needs. How many of the following affect you?

Sunday Services, Religious Education, Supper Club, Intergenerational Pot Luck, Carol's Lunch Bunch, Mindfulness Meditation, Covenant Groups, Buddhism Study and Practice, Evensong, Nonduality Satsang, Pastoral Friends, Psi Symposium, Dreamworks, CUUKES, Open Minds, Science in Society, Video Circle, Humanist Round Table, Roundtable Readers, Choir, UFO, Unitarian Recorder Ensemble, Fellowship Dulcimer Society, Drumming Circle, Sisterhood of Stitchers, Video Circle, International Student Coffee Hour, UU RSO, Owning Our Religious Past, Our Whole

Lives, Homeless Awareness Project, Trick or Treat for UNICEF, Easter Baskets, Suicide Grief Support Group, Women's Group and Retreat, Men's Alliance and Retreat, AIDS/Africa Partnership, New Day (Prison) Ministries, Health Ministry, Rainbow Cafe, Social Action Sunday Offerings, Welcoming Congregation, Red Ribbon Congregation, Green Sanctuary Candidate, Feed My Sheep, Spirit of Christmas, Yard Sale for Social Action, Canned Food Drives (Carbondale Food Pantry/ Muslim Food Pantry), and many more - past, present and future.

There is one area that should be in every year's goals, to increase membership. We know how well this Fellowship meets our needs. We know how much talent and energy is available to make a difference in the community, locally, regionally and globally. But, how many do not know of us and what potential this Fellowship has to enrich and transform lives? Who knew how many potential UUs were in Cape Girardeau or Mt. Vernon areas until someone started a Fellowship in each town.

The purpose of the Annual Event is to celebrate who we are and set the stage for members to make a commitment to support the Fellowship in the coming year. Gloria Smiley and the Membership committee are heading up the Annual Event scheduled for Saturday, April 10th. This Event will be a combination of the annual Member Party and the Stewardship Event. We have planned an evening of activity, great food and fun. This is an event not to miss!

The Stewardship gatherings are designed to help members reflect on what the Fellowship means to them. This is a chance for long term members to interact with newer members and all to develop a better understanding of the Fellowship's needs. The gathering ends with an invitation to make a pledge.

Members may select from a variety of methods for making their commitment. Members may complete a pledge at the end of the Stewardship gathering. Members may request that a steward come to meet with them individually to discuss their pledge, providing a more intimate atmosphere. Or, members may also wish to make a pledge in another way which better meets their needs. We ask that members be as informed as possible about what the Fellowship means to them, what it currently offers, what it plans to do and what it needs to be able to continue on its current path.

You will receive materials in the coming week explaining Fellowship needs. The board has drafted a budget that reflects the needs of this Fellowship, and projects a spirit of abundance. This is the spirit that has triggered the tremendous growth over the last 15 years and earned the Fellowship recognition as a Breakthrough Congregation by the UUA.

Watch for more information. Ask questions. Be generous in spirit, in talent, in time and in financial support.

Jerry Molumby, Stewardship Chair

INTERGENERATIONAL POTLUCK

Friday, April 9th, in the Fellowship Commons from 6- 9:00 p.m.! Please bring a dish to share, a sense of humor, and a willingness to mingle. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. We welcome folks of all ages. We eat together, talk together, sometimes play games together. It's all good!! See you there!

WOMEN'S GATHERING

The April's Women's Gathering will be on Wed., April 21 at 7:00 p.m. at CUF. Program is as follows:

- Welcome
- Reading & Lighting of the Chalice – Kathryn Jaehnig
- Sharing
- Activity – The Common Senses of Relaxation – Donna Mann and Laurie McGregor
- Closing – Group Singing & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame – Christine Bauer

Decisions made at the 2nd Women's Gathering of March 3 (23 women attended the March meeting):

- 1) Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of one month, followed by the third Wednesday of the next month. This will allow all those who wish to attend the opportunity to do so. **Please mark your calendar for the rest of this calendar year** – April 21, May 5, June 16, July 7, Aug. 18, Sept. 1, Oct. 20, Nov. 3, and Dec. 15. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Each Gathering will follow this outline – Welcome, Reading and Lighting of the Chalice, Sharing, Activity, Group Singing and Extinguishing the Flame.
- 3) The name of the CUF women's group will continue to be Women's Gathering.

Current Steering Committee – Cathy Kline, Debbie Czarnopys-White, Jan Eisenhard, Kathy O'Laughlin and Mary Campbell. Anyone can participate on the Steering Committee; just call one of us and volunteer!

CUF MONTHLY MEETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUICIDE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: *This group meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Fellowship, at 7:30 pm.* Judy Ashby, MS, LCPC, facilitator. This group, serving those who have lost a loved one to suicide, is open to parents, children, spouses, partners, siblings, grandparents, relatives, friends, co-workers, and others. This supportive experience will offer safe and understanding conversation about loss and healing as participants open their hearts to grief and growth. **Meets next on April 13.** For more information, contact Bill Sasso at 529-2439 or bsasso@juno.com.

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION *This group meets every Saturday in the Fellowship Commons from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.* If there are other activities scheduled in the Commons, we meet in the RE area. For more information, contact Joy Price at 457-2405 or joyfully2356@yahoo.com.

BUDDHISM STUDY & PRACTICE GROUP *This group meets on the first and third Sundays in the Fellowship Commons at 7:30 PM.* **Meets this month on April 4 and Apr. 18.** Meditation, Chanting, Study, Discussion in a free flowing format. Everyone welcome. For more info, visit www.shawnee-dharma.org or contact Judy Carter at 529-3110.

DREAMWORKS. *This group meets the first Sunday of each month in 06 (RE wing) at 12:00.*

Meets next on April 4. Using Jeremy Taylor's technique, we share and discuss our dreams in a respectful, safe, and comfortable environment. For more information, contact Nillofur at cadfael07@yahoo.com or Janet at jea49@Care2.com.

HUMANIST ROUND TABLE. **The Humanist Round Table is on indefinite furlough, pending its reorganization should sufficient interest and support evolve. If you are willing to take leadership in this important endeavor, please come forward and contact David Christensen at davechris@mchsi.com.**

PSI SYMPOSIUM. *This group meets the second Sunday of the Month in Room 06 at Noon.* **Meets next on April 11.** We start at noon with light refreshments. Please bring a dish to share. For more info, contact Mary Campbell at 521-0851 or mspurple1999@yahoo.com.

ROUNDTABLE READERS. *This group meets on the fourth Sunday of the month after the Sunday Service at Noon.* **Meets this month on April 25.** Meets next on April 25. This month's selection is From Age-ing to Sage-ing: A Profound New Vision of Growing Older, by Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, a rabbi and founder of the Spiritual Eldering Institute, and Ronald S. Miller, a journalist and humanistic educator. A limited number of copies are available through the Southern Illinois Public Library system, and the book is available in paperback (order through Barnes and Noble or online, ISBN 9780446671774). All interested are welcome! For more info contact Janet Levie at jmlevie@verizon.net.

SCIENCE IN SOCIETY. *This group meets some Fridays of the Month in the Fellowship Commons at 5:00 PM.* Contact Gina Paul at 351-1064 or rpaul@siumed.edu if you have questions.

VIDEO CIRCLE *This group meets on the third Friday of each month in the Fellowship Commons at 7:15 PM.* **Meets next on April 16.** Movie this month TBA – watch weekly bulletins. All are welcome! Free movie and free popcorn! Contact Amy Weber at amyweber1@msn.com with questions.

UNITARIAN FOLK ORCHESTRA practices at 10:00 a.m. Saturdays, at the Fellowship. For info contact Charles Maxwell at cmaxwell@siu.edu.

MEMBER NEWS...

Our Newest CUF Members:

We were fortunate enough to have several **new** members join CUF during March! When you meet them or see them wearing their new nametags, please welcome:

Gillian Harrison of Carbondale; Dan Marsh & Mary Sullivan, of Murphysboro; and Jennifer Caudell, also of Murphysboro!

Recognizing these Caring & Sharing Team Members:

Thanks to the following members of the Sharing & Caring Team for providing meals to the Swensons when Karen came home from the hospital: Carla Feldhamer, Joyce Webb, Thelma Herschbach, Jerry Molumby, Natalie Trimble. (And so glad you're doing better, Karen!)

Learning from Tom Dickey

By Cheryl Robinson

On March 6, it was with a sad feeling of loss that I learned that Fellowship member Tom Dickey, 100 years old had died. As one of his Readers for the past four years, I learned so much from Tom. Our weekly reading sessions were a delight. Tom received many magazines by subscription, just a few of which were “Secular Humanist”, “Free Inquiry”, and “Skeptical Inquirer”. For the first couple of years, Tom sometimes sat in his chair in his room, but most of the time he stayed in bed, as his back often gave him problems strained by sitting too long.

While I read the intellectual, usually long and technically challenging, thought-provoking articles to him, if I stumbled over a long, monosyllabic word unfamiliar to me, he would promptly correct my pronunciation. If I really bungled it up, he would say, “spell that”. I learned I had to always strive to be exact, and that he was almost always paying careful attention. Just when I thought he had fallen asleep, eyes closed, he would say “Hmmm...that’s an interesting idea”, or “repeat that sentence”. We both enjoyed the content of the articles, sharing the same views on the liberal bent of them. We would often laugh or share a few sentences of discussion over the topic. Sometimes I would add to it with something I had recently read on the topic, or had heard on the news since the article was written. Once in awhile, I would bring in something to read that I thought might be of interest to him, from one of my own magazines or the internet. He always politely listened, graciously responded and thanked me for bringing it in for us to share. Sometimes I would bring in a lighter piece. I once rented Dr. Seuss’ “You’re Only Old Once – for kids 70 and older” from the library and read it to him. We both laughed at the clever and silly verse.

I learned that Tom was always a gentleman; always spoke to me with utmost cordial good manners and tactful kindness. No matter how he felt physically on any given day, he would brush it off and say, “Well, it’s no matter. I’ve had many days when I felt this particular pain, and I no doubt will have many more.” He was patient and tolerant and never complained. If I didn’t ask him, he would never bring up a pain or ailment. He just wanted to get on to the reading. He never lost his thirst for new knowledge, his intellectual thirst. Now that is a valuable lesson.

Sometimes, instead of reading, he would tell me it was time to go through his “files”. He reviewed everything in every file folder in a two-drawer filing cabinet once every six months or so. He was very organized, and did not like things to get away from him. Many of the files were records of insurance plans, bill receipts, and other things one keeps in file cabinets. Everything was in folders in alphabetical order. I was fascinated by the many newspaper clippings of his receiving an award for one or another of his work accomplishments. There were also many letters thanking him for his work, and stellar letters of recommendation and acknowledgement. I read them all to him when I came upon them, to bring the memory back to him. Most times he would have long forgotten about this recognition or that. There were so many.

Occasionally, my husband Tom and I would bring “Mr. Dickey”, as I and his caregivers sometimes affectionately called him, to a CUF service, or to the Humanist Group. However, in the last couple of years he often declined, as he had trouble sitting for that long without his back “paying for it”. In spite of his back problems and advancing age, in the first two years or so that I was one of Tom’s readers, he would ride his stationery bike every day, or pretty close to it, for at least twenty minutes. In the past year and a half, the frequency with which he felt like riding decreased – but he still had days when he rode the bike, even when he was 99, and once or twice after he attained 100 in January of this year.

For the past three years, I sent out Tom’s “holiday letter”. He and Fran had lived in several parts of the country, and having been in University settings, had friends all over the country. Tom’s mailing list went out to several states. He would update his friends on his family members’ whereabouts and projects. In these, he referred to his son Tom as “Young Tom” and to himself as “Old Tom”. He enjoyed poking a little fun at himself and the advanced age he was attaining. For these letters, he also would compose a holiday poem,

usually set to a famous well-known poem or Christmas song. This would be a humorous, politically charged treatise on the current events in government and the failings of the latest political administration, for the most part. It was great fun to listen to him compose these. He would have much of it memorized when I came over to write it down, for addition in the holiday letter. This past December, he still sent out a holiday letter, but he was really stuck on what to write in his poem. He wanted me to look up “The Owl and the Pussycat” and bring it in to him. We went over it a couple of times on my next visit, so he could work on it. In the end, he decided that he couldn’t do a poem last Christmas. He said there was not enough in this administration that he wanted to mock - “Not like the rich George W. years”, he said.

Then there was his 100th birthday Open House Celebration, on Jan. 6 of this year. Tom was sitting up in his recliner, friends coming in and out of the house, bringing him cards, reminding him of events, but mostly asking him questions as to past events they had shared, or his “take” on things. Tom was “holding court”. He was utterly animated, pleased and “in his glory” to have so many friends around him, and to have reached his goal of achieving the age of 100. It was clear all last year that that was something he had set his sights on. He would frequently begin a sentence in our readings sessions with “Now that I am approaching being a centenarian...” As with his many long bike trips, he set out to make it. And he did.

Tom lived a full and interesting life right up until the end. During his lifetime, he was a student and teacher of philosophy, as well as a pioneer in writing training materials for training persons without sight to work independently and keep their jobs. He was a respected and admired Professor in the Rehabilitation Institute at SIU. He rode to his 50th college reunion, from California to Massachusetts, although blind, on a tandem bicycle. He took very long bike trips in the area. I once asked him if Fran biked with him a lot. He said not very often, as “she only wanted to go twenty miles or so”, and he said he wasn’t too interested in “short” trips like that.

I have certainly never known anyone like Tom Dickey, and am quite certain that I never will again. He was a phenomenal human being, who overcame many obstacles by just finding another way. I feel privileged to have had a mutually respectful and reciprocal relationship with him during his last years. He let me learn some of who he was and what he was about, and for that I am grateful. What can I say but he will be missed, he surely is missed. Thanks, Tom, for the memories.

Dispatch from Arabia

Part Eight

by Joseph Robbie

Well, as some of you may know, I recently signed away another year of my life at this miserable job in this miserable place, which leaves me feeling - miserable. At least they pay on time, which is not a given when working overseas. There were several reasons why I decided to stay: I hadn’t had my teeth fixed; I didn’t have a plan for the future; they told me I had leukemia; etc. But the main reason I’ve stayed, is for you – the faithful readers of my monthly column. I’ve gotten mostly favorable feedback for this regular report, although I suspect that there are those who cast aspersions upon my efforts behind closed doors, as such is

the nature of man. However, I felt that it just wouldn’t be the same, writing my “Dispatch From Arabia”, while living in Carterville. So, if you’ll have me, I’m with you for another year.

American UU’s probably take a lot of our freedoms for granted. Living in this very conservative, modern-day, Islamic monarchy where I currently reside, all we expats cherish every morsel of liberty available. Basically, everything which we would generally consider as “fun” is illegal here: music, dancing, alcohol, pepperoni, sex, bowling, karaoke, etc. Therefore, when afforded an

opportunity to escape the oppressive environment, we go for it (excepting those who have been here too long and just cocoon in their apartments). One such escape is the foreign embassies.

The grounds of an embassy are considered the sovereign soil of the guest nation. So, if you happen to be born in the Pakistani embassy in Venezuela, you have Pakistani citizenship, as a rule. As an extension of this concept is the fact that the guest country's laws and traditions apply there. So, at most foreign embassies here, a man can have a shot of whiskey and a woman can let down her hair.

Most embassies have events from time to time, such as dinners and parties. Getting an invitation is the hard part. It's all about who you know. I hate hanging around my dreary compound on the weekend (Thursday and Friday), so I've been working it. I've managed to worm my way into the Canadian, South African, French, Australian, German, and, finally, American embassies. It's like entering another world. After you've passed through several security checkpoints, given up your cell phone, and shown your ticket, you're in.

And there it all is: beer, whiskey, women, pork, rock, rap, dancing, flirting, laughing, etc. Now, I fear that you may think less of me for being attracted to such simple pleasures, yet I hope you

understand that the deprivation of the basic joys of life lead to an allure of the prohibited. This is where we can rid ourselves of the tensions of the previous weeks of labor.

The accompanying picture depicts me at the Australian embassy with a Malaysian nurse. No, we are not an item, although I wish we were. Getting a girlfriend here is a major accomplishment, as it's both illegal and a grand hassle. Yet the whole atmosphere at an embassy party is vibrant with energy, for the whole world is represented there. Anything may be discussed, and when the subject of religion arises, I do my utmost to present the UU point of view in its best light.

Then, around midnight, the lights begin to dim, and I find myself being ushered out into the real world of Saudi Arabia that lies beyond the gates. It's back to the razor-wired compound and preparation for another day at work. Such is my daily life.



To be continued...

CUF LINKS HARD COPIES are available at the Fellowship on the visitor table.
Deadline for May CUF Links: Wednesday, April 28. Please honor this deadline!
Send your articles to Cheryl Robinson at cherrob1@msn.com or to Melanie Bray at cufvolunteers@verizon.net **on or before Wednesday, April 28.**

Thanks! – Cheryl Robinson, Editor

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The Rev. William Sasso, Minister

An inspirational thought:

“The only causes of regret are laziness, outbursts of temper, hurting others, prejudice, jealousy and envy.” – Germaine Greer