

# Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship



A Welcoming Congregation

March 2006

## March Sunday Services

### **March 5, 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.**

“Journey of Renewal: An Overview: Robert Frost’s ‘Directive’”

Rev. Bode.

This Sunday is the beginning of a seven-week sermon series that runs through Good Friday/Easter. The series is related to the departure of winter and the arrival of spring as well as to the Lenten tradition of undergoing a personal inventory and spiritual house-cleaning at this time of the year. The series begins with an overview of the journey based on Robert Frost’s last great poem (critically regarded) titled, “Directive,” written late in his life following much heartbreak. I suggest taking a look at this poem (found in his collected works) prior to the service.

### **March 12, 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.**

“Journey of Renewal: Is That All There Is?”

Rev. Bode.

The need for personal renewal begins when life goes dry and one wonders, as in the haunting lyrics of Peggy Lee, “Is that all there is?” The question this song asks – we will hear her sing it – will be used as the basis of the message in this second sermon of this seven-week series.

### **March 19, 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.**

“Journey of Renewal: The Call”

Rev. Bode.

Having established the need for renewal, what is the journey that leads to renewal? For the remainder of this sermon series (this is the third in the series), I will follow the archetypal journey of renewal as set forth by Joseph Campbell in his book, The Hero With A Thousand Faces. That journey begins with “the call” to leave the place you are in, which has become (as you feel) stale, and to set forth in search of new life. It’s “the call” to leave the surface of your life and journey below the surface in search of support and refreshment.

### **March 26, 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.**

“Journey of Renewal: Preparation & Departure”

Rev. Bode.

In this fourth sermon of this seven-week series we head out on the journey of renewal. As with any journey it requires some preparation, some self-examination, some sorting, even some sacrifice.

The complete event calendar is available on our website: [www.quuf.org](http://www.quuf.org).

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## A Late-Winter Sermon Series



As we enter the month of March, I plan to begin a seven-week sermon series that will take us through Easter, which this year is the late date of April 16. The sermon series titled, "Journey of Renewal," accurately reflects the theme of this series in which I will take a look at the process whereby we cut away the life that has grown stale in us in order to discover the new life that wants to germinate or is already germinating within us.

This sermon series corresponds to the seasonal movement of the year and is related to the departure of winter and the arrival of spring as well as to the Lenten tradition of taking personal inventory and doing spiritual house-cleaning at this time of the year. "Lent," from the Old English "*lencten*" meaning "springtime," is the tradition in Western Christianity in which the forty weekdays and six Sundays prior to Easter are established as a period of introspection and personal renewal.

The series will begin with an overview of the journey based on what is generally regarded as Robert Frost's last great poem, titled "Directive," written in older age. Then we will begin the actual journey starting with Peggy Lee's haunting song and question, "Is That All There Is?" Next, following the steps Joseph Campbell has outlined in The Hero With A Thousand Faces, we will move downward and inward searching for the "holy grail" of our own being, or, in Robert Frost's imagery, seeking the water from which we might "Drink and be whole again beyond confusion." The series in title form looks like this:

March 5: Journey of Renewal: An Overview: Robert Frost's "Directive"  
March 12: Journey of Renewal: Is That All There Is?  
March 19: Journey of Renewal: The Call  
March 26: Journey of Renewal: Preparation & Departure  
April 2: Journey of Renewal: Temenos  
April 9: Journey of Renewal: Labyrinth  
April 14: (Good Friday) Journey of Renewal: Passion  
April 16: (Easter) Journey of Renewal: Rebirth

If you're up for a little pre-sermon preparation for the first week of the series, you might take a look at Robert Frost's poem, "Directive." It's found in his collected works and was published originally in his book, Steeple Bush.

Bruce Bode

February 22, 2006

### OTHER MEETINGS (irregular ones not listed)

Building & Grounds	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs.	4:30 p.m. R.E. 2
Membership / Hosp. Comm.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs.	3:30-5:30 p.m. R.E. 2
C.Y.R.E.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues.	7-9 p.m. R.E. 3 & 5
Y.R.U.U.	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun.	7-8:30 p.m. R.E. 2

## Office Offerings

Stirrings of early spring are everywhere...you could almost put your ear to the ground and hear it whispering deep in the earth. Warmth, light, and new life are on it's way. Lots of great things coming up at QUUF, as well-- the Women's Retreat in April, spring ALPs classes, Easter services, and much more.

THANK YOU to the Newsletter team for the month of February: Jana Finlay and Helen Oakland

## Music Notes



**Benefit Recital**  
**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 4 p.m.**  
**QUUF Sanctuary**

The stunning program to be presented on March 19 could perhaps be called "Linda Bach and Friends." The friends are mezzo soprano Meghann Sattely from Portland, oboist Anne Krabill, and our own violinist/violist Kristin Smith and pianist/composer Beatus Meier.

They have chosen some of the most gorgeous vocal duets ranging from 17th century opera (Monteverdi) to Afro-American Spirituals of the 1950's. Interspersed with these selections the two singers will take turns presenting a number of rarely heard vocal solo pieces, including two arias by Mozart and selections by Maurice Ravel, Manuel de Falla and Benjamin Britten. Also included is a song by Beatus Meier from his "Five Irish Poems" for mezzo soprano, viola & piano, commissioned by and premiered with the National Association of Teachers of Singing in 1996. Finally, as the evening's highlight, the two singers (with Anne Krabill & Beatus Meier) will perform the celebrated Rose Presentation scene and the final duet from Richard Strauss' "Der Rosenkavalier."

A suggested donation is \$8, which will benefit QUUF's Building Fund and Music Program.

Marcia Lewton



## From the Board

### Mid-Year Budget

Our treasurer, Lynn Taylor recently did a mid-year budget correction and made new projections for the rest of the year. The good news is that we are doing fine. Lynn projects total year income from pledges and other sources will be \$207,365, down \$1250 from his original projection. However, expenditures will come in at \$205,245, down \$3370 from earlier projections. Our spending has been low, despite the fact that we set up a new capital equipment budget and spent \$1300 on a digital projector. It looks like we will, at the end of the year, have \$2120 to put in our contingency and maintenance budget. This budget needs to grow so that, when the time comes that we need a new roof or other major repairs, the money will be there.

### Board Discusses Two Policies

This year the Board is working toward becoming more of a "policy board" and less of a "managing" board. We want to look at the big picture and to provide direction and guidance while leaving the day-to-day decisions to those more closely involved. We are currently discussing two policies.

#### Policy of Taking Controversial Public Stands.

Taking public stands as a fellowship can be empowering and useful but it can also be divisive. The board is studying a new policy that sets out a careful, deliberate process for taking public stands. We consider that a fair and open democratic process for decision-making is as important as the stand we take.

#### Finance and Fundraising Policy

The board is considering a new policy that would create more coordination and communication among committees that deal with finance and fundraising at QUUF. Those committees are the finance, fundraising, special funds, and stewardship. Among other things, we are looking at ways to spread some of the work that now falls on the treasurer. The board is early in the process of reviewing this policy.

We welcome your input, opinions, and advice on these issues. Feel free to contact any of the following board members: David Alvarez, Candy Drollinger, Kendra Golden, Helen Kolff, Carolyn Latteier, Neil Liden, Joanna Saunders, Lynn Taylor, or Al Thompson.

# Children & Youth Religious Education

**DRE Kathy Walker [kwalker@olympus.net](mailto:kwalker@olympus.net)**

<b>CYRE Calendar</b>	
Mar 18	First Aid/CPR 11- 4:30. Space is limited, sign up soon.
Mar 19	Mystery Pal Find Out Sunday 12:30
Mar 24	Spring Fling/Celebration Dinner
Apr 14	OWL overnight
Apr 16	Easter Sunday – Annual Egg Hunt
Apr 21	Teacher Appreciation Dinner
Apr 28-30	Women’s Retreat
May 7	YRUU Worship Service-parents and Middle Schoolers encouraged to attend
May 14	Child Dedication
May 21	Flower Communion
June 4	Bridging Ceremony
June 11	Last RE

**Mystery Pals:**

We have 30 pairs of Mystery Pals this year. By now you have exchanged on one Sunday with two to come. Don’t forget, we exchange March 5 & 12. On the 19<sup>th</sup> we have the Find Out Ice Cream Social following the 11:15 service. Children should come to their REGULAR Sunday RE class. If you are in the 9:15 service, please return at 12:30 ready for the party. Keep the mystery til then!!! If you will not be present on any of the exchange Sundays, give your item (numbered and with building) to Kathy, Karmen or the office person. We will put it in the pocket Sunday morning. Those absent Sunday, pick up your item as early in the week as possible.

**Teacher Appreciation Dinner:**

Every year the Children and Youth RE Committee wine and dine our volunteer teachers to thank them for their commitment. Again, there are lots of vital volunteers at QUUF but only teachers give up their own adult worship time to be with the children. If you would like to help the committee with food, set up or clean up, let Debra Bouchard know, 385-5323

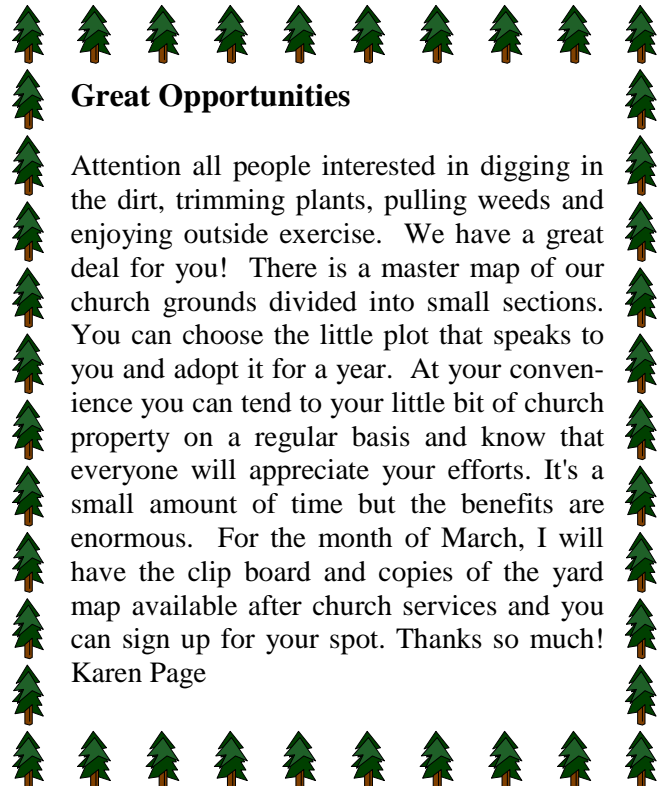
**Safety at QUUF:**

Outside Guidelines: Please refresh your memory of our Outside Guidelines for Children. They are posted on the breezeway bulletin board. It takes all of our gentle reminders to keep our children safe.

In the days leading up to the Annual General Meeting Bruce and I gathered with other ministers and DREs from the Pacific Northwest District. Our training was on sexual abuse prevention in our congregations. This next year the CYRE Committee and staff will be reviewing our safety policy in this and other areas. Your thoughts and input are always welcome.

**Spring Fling RE Party:**

This is our 3rd annual RE party that allows parents to drop off their children on the way to the Celebration Dinner. Last year we had a BLAST! (So did the adults). We ate pizza and ice cream, fruit and vegetables. We played group games, romped in the churchyard and got to know each other even better!! There will be a signup on the RE table. This event is for children whose parents are attending the dinner, no guests please. Your children know that the best part of QUUF is being together. So sign up for the Celebration Dinner, and let your children be with us.



**Great Opportunities**

Attention all people interested in digging in the dirt, trimming plants, pulling weeds and enjoying outside exercise. We have a great deal for you! There is a master map of our church grounds divided into small sections. You can choose the little plot that speaks to you and adopt it for a year. At your convenience you can tend to your little bit of church property on a regular basis and know that everyone will appreciate your efforts. It's a small amount of time but the benefits are enormous. For the month of March, I will have the clip board and copies of the yard map available after church services and you can sign up for your spot. Thanks so much!  
Karen Page

## QUUF Events

### Friendship Supper

The third Saturday is the day! **March 18**, usually in the evening but the person who volunteers to be host can set the time. A potluck dinner featuring good conversation, good food; a great way to get to know people who are interested in QUUF. No conversational topic is restricted and *sometimes* the jokes are good. If you would like to join the group, sign up on the clipboard at the back of the Sanctuary or call Jenifer Taylor 385-3666 or [jentaylor@olympus.net](mailto:jentaylor@olympus.net)

### Goodies for the First Sunday of the Month

We have people signed up to bring cookies for the first Sunday for almost half the year! This is an easy job if many people sign up. Two cooks each month, who prepare in total about 12 or 14 dozen cookies or washed grapes or ??? and bring them to the Fellowship by 9 am on Sunday or earlier in the week. The coffee/tea people put them out for both services. You need to sign up so we know the job is going to be done. The goodies make the social time after service that much more social!

### Friday April 28 - Sunday, April 30

Once again it's time for the women of QUUF to set aside their obligations and most of their responsibilities for a relaxing and stimulating weekend with other QUUF women. The retreat is held at Camp David Jr. on the shores of beautiful Lake Crescent. Our exciting and fun theme for this year is "Let It Be A Dance." We have ideas for crafts, workshops and programs, plus the usual lounging, hiking, Sol Duc hot springs etc....

The retreat begins on Friday, April 28 with check-in anytime after 3 p.m., and it concludes after lunch on Sunday, April 30. The cost of the entire retreat is \$30, which includes lodging and food. Some scholarships may be available. Registration forms will be available by the beginning of April.

We need your help and participation to make it all happen. If you are interested in leading a workshop, helping with meals, lending a hand in planning, etc., please contact one of our co-chairs, Helen Kolff, [helenk@olympus.net](mailto:helenk@olympus.net), or Jean Walat, [jmwalat@yahoo.com](mailto:jmwalat@yahoo.com).

## ALPs Adult Learning Programs

### March 5 (Sun):

**SCIENCE AND RELIGION**, 7pm, RE 2-3.

We will discuss the last four chapters of "The Science of Good and Evil" by Michael Shermer, where he develops a "science of provisional ethics". Anyone interested in this topic is welcome to attend. Contact: Jim Tough, 385-3065, [tough@olympus.net](mailto:tough@olympus.net).

### March 10, 17, 31, (Fri):

**WHAT'S GONE AWRY WITH MUSIC?**,

Beatus Meier, facilitator, 7-8:30pm, QUUF sanc. This is the promised follow-up of last fall's "Music and the Mind." The focus is on the place of music in our society. What is sometimes described as "musical taste" can be seen as a product of societal conditioning--how does this fact play out in our present age? Over the course of the past many centuries music had become a form of high art; today, is it still an art form, or is it turning into a commodity? Will classical music survive only as a "museum"? In an age of unrestrained capitalism, political propaganda and the dictates of mass culture, is the idea of artistic heritage a lost cause?

The class will be oriented toward discussion, beginning with a few quotes from eminent thinkers--and perhaps a few pieces of "non-conventional" music--to encourage a lively discussion. Limit: 18. No home work required; recommended readings list can be picked up at the QUUF office. (No class on 3/24.)

### Beginning Apr. 3, (Mon):

**OVERDOSED AMERICA**, Gary Nelson, et al., [gnelson@quantasonics.com](mailto:gnelson@quantasonics.com), 379-9949.

Biweekly Mondays: Apr 3, 17, May 1, 15, 29, Jun 12, 26; 5-7pm; RE2-3. A discussion of "Overdo\$ed America: the Broken Promise of American Medicine" by John Abramson, MD. He argues that Americans are overmedicated as a result of the commercialization of health care. Falling prey to marketing campaigns, we demand unnecessary and expensive drugs and procedures, believing they constitute the best possible medical care. His response: more care doesn't necessarily mean better care; he argues that doctors should focus more on lifestyle. Book purchase required. Co-sponsor: Social Justice Com.

### April or May:

**A CLASS ON DANCE**, Katie Ottaway, 379-5462.

*GROWING A SENSE OF PLACE - Courses and field trips*

Do we know why Puget Sound or Morgan Hill exists, or what birds live and nest here (and why *here?*), or why these trees or those flowers are part of the native landscape? Where our streams go? What animals live here, used to live here? Which plants are edible? If we knew more would we identify more deeply with this place? Would we be increasingly inclined to protect it?

Since the industrial revolution, we have become increasingly separated from nature. Our culture, with its emphasis on a human- and money-centered worldview includes much that carelessly destroys nature, little on deeply knowing and caring for it. The earth is seen as a place created almost solely for human use. In contrast, an alternative worldview emphasizes that the earth is primary, the human is derivative. Earth is a communion of subjects, not a collection of objects.

Deepening our identification with the earth is the focus of this collection of events.

**DISCOVERING A SENSE OF PLACE** (A Northwest Earth Institute course) is the centerpiece. In seven sessions, it addresses the meaning of place from a bio-regional perspective, asking participants to consider the benefits of developing a relationship with their place, and exploring what it means to protect the place they live. **Tuesdays, 7-9pm, Apr. 4 - May 23.** Contact: Helen Kolff, organizer, 379-4858, helenk@olympus.net

**FIELD TRIPS-** (Field trips can be taken on their own - OR - can be taken as an adjunct to the above course):

**THE SHAPING OF THE LAND BY GLACIERS**, Jim Oakland, 379-6561, jhoakland@olympus.net, **Apr 15, Sat, 10:30am-1:00pm:** Classroom talk followed by field trip to Fort Worden. Call Jim for details.

**WILD PLANTS OF QUIMPER PENINSULA**, Fred Weinmann, 379-0986, fweimann@ca-blespeed.com . **May 5, Fri, 5:00 pm:** Slides & identification, QUUF sanc; **5:30-7:30:** field trip.

**BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS, BIRDS IN PORT TOWNSEND**, etc., are other possible field trips. Contact Jim Oakland, jhoakland@olympus.net, 379-6561 or the QUUF website ([www.quuf.org/programs/ALPS.html](http://www.quuf.org/programs/ALPS.html)) for more details and to express wishes.

**ONGOING GROUPS**

**CONTRACT BRIDGE:** Contact Barbara Jensen, 379-0556.

**“GO/GY” (Growing Older/Growing Younger):** First & third Thursdays, 10:30am, RE 2/5. On the first Thursday of each month, Art Therapist Eleanor Nelson (385-2937) is the leader, focusing on “Growing younger, in mind and spirit.” Bring collage materials (scissors, magazines, cardboard for mounting, etc.). On the third Thursday, Helen Fatt-Everett (379-8147), leads a general discussion and support group.

**QUUF BOOK CLUB:** Second Sunday each month, 7pm at Discovery View Apts, lounge, 1051 Hancock Street. Contact Barbara Dyer, 379-0353; dyer@olympus.net

**EARLY BIRD SUNDAY BOOK DISCUSSION:** Sundays, 8am, RE1. Bruce Bode, facilitator, bruce@olympus.net, 379-0609.

**KNITTING:** Tuesdays, 3-5pm. Conversation, friendship, advice on knitting projects. Beginners welcome! Contact Nancy Shipley 385-9024 or Nancy Richards 385-2797.

**MEDITATION:** Monday evenings 7-8:30pm. An ongoing meditation group meeting at the home of Clara Klug, 5515 Hendricks. Meditation for 45 minutes, then selected readings and discussion. Contact Clara at 385-1084.

**WIDOW/WIDOWER BREAKFAST CLUB:** Thursdays, 8:30am. Enjoy breakfast, support and friendship at Castagno’s, 2123 Sims Way. Call Nancy Shipley, 385-9024 or Lars Watson, 385-5577.

**WOMEN’S SUPPORT GROUPS:** Confidential peer support groups for women. Six are already in existence. For information call Lee Faulkner, 379-3612.

**CPR/First Aid Class**

at QUUF

**Saturday, March 18th**

11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40, payable to American Red Cross Room for five more, as of 2/23/06

Questions: contact Celeste at 385-2590

Sign Up: On clipboard in back of sanctuary

## GROWTH NEWS

The Building Options, Long Range Planning and Capital Campaign committees have been busy during the past weeks. CCC is preparing for an assessment visit March 3, 4, and 5 by UUA Consultant Aggie Sweeney. LRPC is finalizing their five year plan document. BOC has interviewed several architects and has appointments with several more.

In addition to hosting architects' visits, BOC has gathered valuable and relevant information about kitchens in response to the overwhelming desire for adequate equipment and work space. The February 26 congregational discussion meeting will be repeated so that all interested persons will have a chance to help brainstorm the possibilities.

In anticipation of these meetings BOC has prepared the following:

### SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE FOUR OPTIONS

The existing buildings consist of a 4,055 square foot space, seating for 63 and dining space for 47. Four RE/meeting rooms.

**Option 1:** Remodel existing space. Add to RE wing. Seat 126, double RE/meeting space, expand offices, enlarge and upgrade kitchen. Cost \$607,500.

**Congregation may pay for all of the remodel through capital campaign.**

**Option 2:** New 6700 square foot building. Add to RE wing. Seat 185. Old sanctuary becomes Fellowship Hall. Expanded offices and RE/meeting space. New kitchen. Cost \$1,095,000.

For Option 2, if \$800,000 is raised in a capital campaign, there would be a \$300,000 mortgage. If payable over 30 years at 5%, the monthly payment would be \$1600, an annual addition of \$19,000 to our budget.

**Option 3:** New 7800 square foot building. Add to RE wing. Seat 250. Old sanctuary becomes Fellowship Hall. Expanded offices and RE/meeting space. New kitchen. Cost \$1,350,000.

For Option 3, if \$800,000 is raised in a capital campaign, there would be a \$500,000 mortgage. If payable over 30 years at 5%, the monthly payment would be \$2700, an annual addition of \$32,000 to our budget.

**Option 4:** New 11,000 square foot building. Add to RE wing. A true community center. Seat 400. Old

sanctuary becomes Fellowship Hall. Expanded offices and RE/meeting space. New kitchen. Cost \$1,905,000. For Option 4, if \$1,100,000 is raised in a capital campaign, there would be a \$800,000 mortgage. If payable over 30 years at 5%, the monthly payment would be \$4300, an annual addition of \$52,000 to our budget.

Marcia Lewton

## A Vision for Social Justice

By Don Berg, Social Justice Committee Chair

As part of my process of revising the Social Justice Committee, I recently attended the Western Regional Consultation on UU Urban Social Justice Ministry at First Unitarian Church of San Jose and also the Annual General Meeting. Attending the social justice conference were UU's from around the country, in spite of the "Regional" designation.

Both of these events gave me ample evidence that the issues and challenges that we face as a congregation, and I face as a social justice leader in particular, are wide spread and common in the UU movement. Being new to both UU and this congregation, I had no way to know that before and it was wonderfully validating that my observations and assessment of our situation is shared by many long established and highly respected leaders. I was especially excited to share a vision that came to me recently about how to move forward in this work. The revising process that I laid out in my first newsletter article anticipated a much longer period of exploration, therefore it was very gratifying that such a clear vision occurred so soon and also happened to be very well received by everyone I have shared it with so far.

I will be making a presentation to the Board this month to get their approval for proceeding with making it the guiding model for the rebuilding and the transformation of our work from simply organizing run-of-the-mill social activism to congregational ministry guided by adaptive leadership. The vision I received lead me to create a diagram called "The Art of Sustainable Action" and it helps me show how our typical inclination to jump right into action can short circuit necessary steps in the complex cycle that is fundamental to truly effective action for positive change, both personally and socially. It also illustrates the interdependence of the "inward" spiritual cycle that is our reason for being a religious community and the "outward" action cycle that is especially valued as a key component of our identity as UUs. Please call me (774-1159) or e-mail ([don@attitutor.com](mailto:don@attitutor.com)) if you would like to learn more.

**2006 General Assembly June 21-25**

**St. Louis, Missouri**

General Assembly reservations and housing information may be made at [www.uus.org/ga](http://www.uus.org/ga).

**Online Classes available at Church of the Larger Fellowship [www.clfuu.org](http://www.clfuu.org)**

March 6 *Our Way of the Spirit*

April 26 *This I Believe: A Writer's Journey*

July 20 *Children's Literature: The Joy of Great Picture Books*

"Thanks to all of you who offered their guest room(s) for the recent PNWD meeting. Although we only had six attendees who requested home stays, I appreciate all of your gracious offers. There are now at least 35 to 40 clean guest rooms out there."

- Barb Boelling



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**Thanks to AGM Volunteers!!**

This note is to thank the many volunteers who helped to make the 2006 Annual General Meeting of the Pacific Northwest District Unitarian Universalist congregations at Fort Worden on Presidents' Day weekend (February 17-19) a great success! I believe most everyone of the over 400 attendees experienced it as a splendid event, both meaningful and enjoyable! And the air, though cool, was completely clear and showed off our Cascade and Olympic snow-capped mountains in a magnificent way.

QUUF was one of five North Olympic Peninsula congregations with members involved in sponsoring this event. The others were: the Cedars Unitarian Universalist Church on Bainbridge Island, the Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Bremerton, the Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in the Port Angeles/Sequim area, and the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Whidbey Island. This, I believe, is the first time our congregations have worked together on a common project in this way.

Members of QUUF were instrumental in pulling-off this event with a number of persons on the Planning Committee, including chair, John Collins, and his spouse, Carol Collins, virtually a co-chair. Others on the Planning Committee or involved in the planning in some way were: Jim and Kendra Golden, Betty Oppenheimer, Laura Burn, Jan Forrest, Marj Iuro, Kathy Walker, Karen Page, Bob Logan, Carrie Muellner, Deborah Carroll, Flossie Bode, and myself. The amount of hours and behind-the-scenes labor that went into the preparation and execution of this weekend event was immense. Thus, a great big "THANK YOU!!!" to all these folks on the Planning Committee and to the small army of other volunteers from QUUF who contributed their time and skill to make this happen.



Bruce Bode

**Early newsletter deadline**

Deadline for the May newsletter will be Monday, April 17th.