



The Leaf

The Newsletter of the First Universalist Church

Nov./Dec. 2004

Sunday Services 10AM

Nov. 7: Ray Michel

Nov. 14: Kat Hawbaker

Nov. 21: Union Service at Eldorado

Nov. 28: Mike Short

Dec. 5, 12 & 19: TBA

Dec. 26: NO SERVICE

**Look for December's
schedule of speakers in a
special mailing**

**Decorate Church
December 4, 1 PM**

**Mitten Tree Donation
last day
December 12**

**Holiday pot luck, bingo, and
gift exchange
December 14, 6:30 PM**

**Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 6 PM**

Church Receives Generous Gift

Estella Hahn left the First Universalist Church of New Madison \$10,000 in memory of her brother, Russell C. Wilt. Russell Wilt joined the church in 1918. He passed away in November 1970 at the age of 71 and is buried in Greenmound Cemetery in New Madison

In Our Thoughts

Please keep our friends and relatives serving overseas in your thoughts and prayers. The church sent holiday care packages to the following:

Jeff Feltman, son of David and Roberta Feltman

Jan Price, grandson of John and Sue Searls

Patrick Robinson, brother-in-law of Rob and Claire Williams

House and Grounds Report from Chas Godsey

Currently we have mowed the church yard 25 times this year. Many thanks to Emerson, Bonnie, and Kevin Behee. Paula Godsey for trimming the bushes and helping me mow the yard, using Lloyd Ketrings' mower. Between the Behees and using Lloyd's mower we have saved the church a lot of money in mowing fees. Thank you all for your continued support.

In August we started staining the ramp. As you all have noticed by now it's a different color, because we could no longer obtain the old color. Therefore, we changed the color to Natural tone Fir/Pine. We used well over 7 gallons of stain in preparing it for winter months ahead. We still have approximately 3 gallons left for

next spring to stain it again when needed. Total spent for project was: \$152.64. Many thanks to Kenny Baker and Paula Godsey for helping me stain the ramp.

At the Board of Directors Meeting in September I was asked to get proposals for having the West Room and Small Office Area painted with needed repairs in plastering. Country Side Painting, per our Congregation, was awarded the job. The Small Office Area – repairs and 2 coats of paint, cost: \$450. West Room – repairs, stamping the ceiling, 2 coats of paint on walls, cost: \$1,105. Ron Nelson, the owner stated he plans on starting in mid-November and completing by the end of November 2004.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

2 Tye McMahan
3 Melissa Buccicone
4 Andy Willis
10 Charles Godsey
13 Janet Baker
13 Marcia Swartz
15 Daniel Jenny
23 Ron Staub
25 Christel Brooks
29 Ash Williams

NOV. ANNIVERSARIES:

6 Emerson & Bonnie Behee

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

1 Danielle Fritsche
6 John Price
10 Steven Jenny
11 Wilma Rutan
14 Courtney Searls
16 Phyllis Dubbs
25 Jesus Christ
25 Lloyd Ketring
27 Megan Cass
29 Mark Searls

DECEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES:

8 Charles & Paula Godsey
14 Roberta & Dave Feltman

COFFEE HOUR:

Nov. 7 Janet & Kenny Baker
Nov. 14 Jeanette Burns &
Norma Kuhnle
Nov. 28 John & Sue Searls

LOTTERY:

August 22 No Lottery
August 29 Chas Godsey*
September 12 Church*
September 19 Kris Rantz*
September 26 Dick Brooks
October 3 Kris Rantz
October 10 Bill Lengyel
October 17 Jeanette Burns*
* Denotes winner present

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IN REMEMBRANCE: Nancy Thomas, wife of Rev. Chuck Thomas, passed away Oct. 3. Nancy was a patient at University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska, undergoing treatment for lymphoma. At 16, Nancy was one of the original Candy Strippers at Miami Valley Hospital. After earning her B.S. in Nursing, she was employed as Patient-Infant Coordinator for the Neonatal Intensive Care Nursery at Children's Medical Center, Dayton. A memorial service was held Oct. 10, at the Miami Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Memorial contributions may be made to: Care House at Dayton Children's Medical Center; University of Cincinnati Nurses Alumni Scholarship Fund, Dayton Chapter; the Thomas Scholarship Fund of the UUA; or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

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