

Southwestern Unitarian Universalist Fall Conference 2011

November 11-13, 2011

Glen Lake Camp & Retreat Center

Glen Rose, Texas

Evangelizing the South

Choose from 6 tracks:

- *The Future of Unitarian Universalism: A Conversation for Religious Professionals 40 and Under*
- *Worship: From Theory to Practice*
- *Examining Your Mission Field*
- *Shaping Your Stewardship*
- *UU Identity*
- *Building Coalitions*

Everything we do is Faith Development

All We Teach is Unitarian Universalism

The Congregation is the Curriculum

Why Attend the SWUUC Fall Leadership Training?

The SWUUC Annual Fall Leadership Training aspires to strengthen and extend Unitarian Universalism in the Southwestern Unitarian Universalist Conference by developing congregational leaders, providing the resources needed to carry out congregational missions effectively, and encouraging and establishing/strengthening lateral relationships among member congregations. Sending a leadership team from your congregation to this highly effective training can help in all these areas. This is an intentional multigenerational community so please do not forget to include youth and young adults in your leadership team.

New this year, we will offer an Evolution Camp for elementary and jr. high kids. Unfortunately we are still not able to offer child care at this time. We hope to do that in years to come and welcome your input and ideas on whether that would be helpful to you and your family.

This year we are offering six different tracks to choose from at the Fall Leadership Training. The six tracks at the Fall Leadership Training will meet separately but will gather as a community for worship and for meals. Worship this year will be led by regional staff and the participants of the Worship track.

High school youth are welcome and encouraged to attend any of the 6 tracks and we hope to see youth in each. Youth will either stay with their family or, if attending with an adult advisor from their congregation, in one of two cabins (separated by gender). Youth and adults attending with youth must fill out the extra forms found at the end of this brochure. If your congregation wishes to send a youth leader without a parent or advisor, please call the district office to discuss options. Families may stay in a bunkhouse reserved for families, or at a nearby La Quinta.

Glen Rose Retreat Center offers a variety of housing options for SWUUC Fall Training attendees (see next page). Families bringing their kids for the Evolution Camp may want to stay at the La Quinta in town. Glen Rose, Texas also has other options available and is located approximately 40 miles southwest of Fort Worth (map and directions included in this brochure).

This year we have the pleasure of having Julie Hazzard performing on Saturday night.

Registration Fees

All Tracks	\$200.00	\$225 after October 10, 2011
Kid Program	\$100.00	\$125 after October 10, 2011

The registration fee includes all meals, but not housing. Those wishing to stay in Glen Rose accommodations instead of utilizing the Glen Lake facilities will only need to pay the registration fee.

There are scholarships available to attend the SWUUC Fall Conference. Please visit www.swuuc.org/pages/resources/forms.php to download the scholarship form. These forms must be received by October 10, 2010.

Glen Lake and Glen Rose, TX Housing Options

Small Group Lodge

Four bedrooms equipped with bunk beds and their own bath, open on to a meeting room, must bring own linens (pillows, sheets, blankets, towels, washcloths, etc.)

\$80 per person*

Cabins (For Youth and Advisors of Youth ONLY, separated by gender)

Bunk beds and a community bathroom with showers. Must bring own linens (pillows, sheets, blankets, towels, washcloths, etc.)

\$50 per person

Stillwater Lodge

This facility is offsite several miles down the road. Suites with one, two or three bedrooms. Linens provided.

\$125 per person for triple occupancy (3 beds), shared bath

\$135 per person for double occupancy, shared bath

\$145 per person for a private bedroom (queen bed), shared bath

\$160 per person for a private bedroom (queen bed), private bath*

***LIMITED QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

Cost per person covers both Friday and Saturday

Learn more about Glen Lake at www.glenlake.org.

Glen Rose, TX Accommodations

Family Accommodations

We are partnering with the local La Quinta so that families can stay together in one room. We have reserved a block of rooms for \$65 per night for two beds, \$80 per night for a king suite – both sleep four. To make a reservation call 1-254-898-0679 and mention SWUUC.

Further accommodations may be found by visiting the Glen Rose website online at www.glenrosetexas.net/accomodations.html on the internet.

Glen Rose Inn & Suites - 866-393-8037

Glen Hotel - 254-898-2068

Tracks and Presenters

The Future of Unitarian Universalism: A Conversation for Religious Professionals 40 and under

Leader: Tandi Rogers

FOR: Ministers and religious educators age 40 or under, (possibly board members and strong youth leaders). This is mostly an invitation only track, but if you'd like to be included please contact Jennifer Nichols at jnichols@uua.org.

Tandi was on the UUA Growth Team that gathered 12 of our most dynamic ministers to talk about the growth of Unitarian Universalism. The conversation was [video taped](#) and expanded into a [book](#). Your Program Specialist Jennifer Nichols thought, “what if we replicated this for religious professionals under 40?”

Our time together will be an experiment inspired by that earlier experience. However, rather than a marathon of discussion, our time will include games, art, reflection, small group exploration, as well as video-taped interviews and discussion.

How does Unitarian Universalism form how I am in the world?

How does my leadership shape Unitarian Universalism?

What are the gifts and challenges of our contemporary UU congregations?

What is your yearnings for our faith?

What do you wish the previous generations understood about your experience of Unitarian Universalism? About our contemporary congregations?

What do you wish for the next generation?

Is we were starting completely over in creating Unitarian Universalist religious community what would it look like?

And more questions that bubble up to the surface?

Come and let's see what we co-create together...

Tandi Rogers is the UUA Growth Strategy Specialist and has served the UUA in the Pacific NW since 2002 as their Program Specialist. In 2010-11 she filled in as the Interim Director of the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministries. She identifies as an evangelical Unitarian Universalist and has wanted to work with UU leaders in the Southwest for some time. Finally!

Examining Your Mission Field

Leader: Rev. Susan Smith and Rev. Ron Robinson

FOR: Board member, DREs, ministers, lay leaders, UU evangelists

Every congregation needs a clear vision for its future and a plan for how it will be accomplished, but most make the mistake of grounding this vision in the wants of the current congregants rather than the needs of the community that they serve. This track will provide a variety of ways to consider who the congregation can serve now and into the future. The 2010 Faith Communities Today (FACT) and Faith Formation 2020 studies will be explored as they relate to Unitarian Universalist congregations. Rev. Smith will demonstrate how to utilize a Percept demographic survey as well as the US Census materials from 2010. Rev. Robinson will explain how to partner with neighborhood and other local organizations to understand the social justice and service needs of the community around us. Out of this, participants will gain a comprehensive view of these crucial foundations for effective visioning.

Rev. Susan Smith serves as the District Executive of the Southwestern Unitarian Universalist Conference.

Rev. Ron Robinson wears many hats. He is the Executive Director of the UU Christian Fellowship, is adjunct faculty and Director of Ministerial Formation for UUism at Phillips Theological Seminary, is Executive Director of A Third Place Community Foundation in far north Tulsa, which was begun through the work of a church plant now known as The Welcome Table Church.

Worship: From Theory to Practice

Leaders: Rev. Kenn Hurto, Rev. Barbara Jarrell

FOR: Worship Arts Committee Members, DREs, youth, ministers, lay worship leaders. This track may be especially helpful to small lay led congregations.

This Worship workshop covers everything that used to be covered on this topic for Dwight Brown Leadership Experience and then some. Beginning with the premise that worship involves everyone in the congregation as either leaders or worshippers. This training will prepare you to better understand not only how to lead worship, but the theory and rationale behind what Unitarian Universalists hope to achieve in worship services. You will learn about services for adults, children, inter-generational, youth, multi-generational as well as ones such as joint Thanksgiving Services with interfaith congregations.

Participants will have the opportunity to create short worship services for each other as well as the final service for the entire camp on Sunday morning.

Worship literally means "*considering things we deem worthy.*" As Unitarians & Universalists deconstructed traditional Christianity during the 19th century, with an emphasis on reasoned-out rather than inherited faith convictions, our ancestors pulled us out of traditional theistic metaphysics. Ralph Waldo Emerson admonished us to "trust your own mind," and Theodore Parker urged us to

see the permanent in religion, not the tropes, leading to an applied faith premised on moral teaching and the gospel of love.

Then humanistic naturalism led to a model of worship that was primarily didactic, emphasizing this life, while centered on logical positivism as a prevailing epistemology. It also meant we are not just skeptical, but highly suspicious about vague intonations of "divinity," "the holy," and any notion of a god of history or intervention. The result: typically "head-centered" lectures that provide - not often enough - "intellectual stimulation" - but seldom touch the heart, let alone demand life transformation.

Moreover, we devalue "sacred" space by thinking of worship as one of the many activities that take place in multi-purpose rooms, rather than the central act of a faith community. Far too rarely do our sanctuaries evoke anything but a utilitarian aesthetic. Add to that the challenges of the feminist critique of patriarchy, the birth of pagan religiosity, and a renewed commitment to multiculturalism, it all becomes a challenge to seek something more than the lowest common denominator.

Said less elegantly: Most of what passes for "worship" (or all too often "programs") is deadly dull, shallow, amateurishly executed and not tied in any consistent way to the great legacy of the Free Church.

Where does leave us today? In need of a worship reformation! We can do much, much better.

This worship track will seek to show ways to return worship to the center of the faith community - not just on Sunday. Can you imagine your Board meeting as a worship? Is it possible to conduct a stewardship campaign deeply focused on our "transcendent centers of power & meaning?" What will it take to create an energizing worship that makes a difference in the lives of today's and tomorrow's Unitarian Universalists.

Some other themes for our time together: How to appeal to all the senses. How to include children for the whole of worship - not just 10 minutes. How to use music, drama, dance and still appeal to our minds. How to integrate diverse theological premises (yes, the atheists and pagans can celebrate together!). How to use today's readily available audio/visual resources - with careful attention to copyright. What kinds of liturgy are worth looking at? How does the worship leader lead?

The Reverend Kenn Hurto has served our faith for nearly 40 years, in four settled ministries and five consulting placements (including Australia and New Zealand). Well regarded for his work in family systems theory as applied to congregations, Kenn now serves as the District Executive to 46 congregations for our UUA in Florida.

The Reverend Barbara Jarrell serves All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church. She is a musician, composer and songwriter.

Shaping Your Stewardship

Leader: Kay Crider

FOR: Stewardship teams, board members, ministers

Would you like to breathe new life into your congregation's stewardship or are you new to the process and would like to learn more? During the weekend workshop we'll cover what motivates people to give, how to get your members comfortable with talking about financial commitments, different options for the annual budget drive, tools to educate and motivate your congregation, year-round stewardship methods and how to plan well for success.

The sessions will be a combination of presentation, exercises (fun ones that don't make your muscles hurt) as well as time for questions and answers. Come, participate and return to your church community with ideas and tools to ramp up the funding for your mission and vision!

The course will be most helpful if each congregation sends a team. Please send no less than two and no more than four leaders.

Kay Crider is a member of the UUA's Congregational Stewardship Services Team and advises UUA congregations throughout the United States. She has 11 years of professional fundraising experience and also teaches law as an adjunct faculty member for the University of Oregon's Lundquist College of Business and the Environmental Studies Program. Kay has lived in several states, including eight great years in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

UU Identity

Leader: Thomas Pistole, Terry Ward

For: DRE's, teachers, lay leaders, ministers

EVERYTHING WE DO IS FAITH DEVELOPMENT, All We Teach is Unitarian Universalism, The Congregation is the Curriculum

What it means to be a Unitarian Universalist is at the core of our faith, yet many people find it difficult to express this concept. In this module we will look at our perceptions of UU identity, examine it as a dynamic process, explore the many names by which we identify our UU self. We will share ways in which we celebrate our UU identity, then examine what it means to live this identity. Finally, we will share ways we can take these tools back to our congregations. UU Identity is one of the modules offered through Renaissance Program for religious educators and others in our faith community.

The "UU Identity" module aims for the following:

Explicit Goals

- To create an understanding of identity as a process
- To become aware of how the process unfolds
- To identify ways to foster the process, specifically among Religious Education participants and generally among their congregations

Implicit Goals

- To help participants identify their own growth as Unitarian Universalists
- To create an interactive environment for discussion and for the sharing of ideas

UUA RENAISSANCE PROGRAM: Religious Education Leadership Training

This is a standardized training program of nine different fifteen-hour modules or workshops designed to provide training in:

Philosophy of Religious Education	Multiculturalism
Curriculum Planning in the Congregation	Ministry With Youth
Teacher Training and Support	Unitarian Universalist History
Unitarian Universalist Identity	Administration of an R.E. Program
Worship for All Ages	

When participants have completed five modules, or a minimum of 75 hours of RENAISSANCE Training, the UUA sends participants a letter of recognition in appreciation of the time that has been spent in training. A letter is also sent to their churches encouraging local recognition of their commitment and the new understandings, knowledge and skills they have gained. The SW District also recognizes this achievement with a special pin and formal recognition. Leadership School may be substituted for one module.

While the program is open to everyone interested, the UUA and the Religious Education Committee of the Southwest UU District strongly encourage people working in religious education to participate in the Renaissance Program.

Terry Ward is entering her 19th year as the Director of Religious Education of the First Unitarian Church of Oklahoma City. She has served the district in a variety of capacities including chair of the District Religious Education Committee, various search committees and director of children's programming at SWUUSI. In her previous life she was an elementary school teacher and the president of the local teachers' association. She is married and has 2 children in their twenties who identify as UU's, but did not always appreciate being a "church kid" as children.

Thomas Pistole is a credentialed religious educator serving the Durham (NH) UU Fellowship for 21 years. He has served as staff of Star Island Religious Education Week for a number of years, including two years as Children's Dean and one as Conference Dean. He has also served as the program coordinator for RE Week at Ferry Beach. He served on the, then, New Hampshire/Vermont District Board for six years, including two as District President. Currently he serves on the Liberal Religious Educators Association Mentoring Committee for individuals enrolled in the Religious Educators Credentialing Program. Apart from activities in religious education, he has been on the faculty of the University of New Hampshire for 40 years, married for 46 years and has two young adult children. He is a member of Journey Song, an a cappella group that provides music for folks in hospice care and nursing homes.

Building Multicultural Coalitions

Leader: Carrie Stewart

For: UUs of all ages

At the fiftieth anniversary of our denomination, Unitarian Universalists are embarking on a new chapter in our history. Our 2012 General Assembly in Phoenix, AZ, a "Justice GA," will move social action and witness to the center of our faith. <http://www.uua.org/ga/> Reducing the business and traditional workshop time to focus on issues of justice and immigration will require skills for interaction with diverse groups and building community. This workshop is intended to provide opportunities to understand and welcome diversity, learning to become an affective ally, and practice leadership empowerment. Learn to 'walk the talk' of building the beloved community that is central to our Unitarian Universalist vision!

Carrie Stewart: As the Owner and Principal of One World Consulting, Carrie has served various communities and organizations in their quest for greater understanding, and inclusion of diverse individuals. She serves on The Steering Committee of the UU Allies for Racial Equity, as Chair of the Southwest Unitarian Universalist Conference Racial Justice & Diversity Task Force and as a diversity and conflict consultant to SWUUC. Through workshops, training, conflict transformation, mediation, facilitation, dialogue and coaching, Carrie creates opportunities for bringing groups together to find common ground. Carrie holds a Bachelor's degree in American Studies from Smith College, and a Master's in Communication and Information Studies, specializing in Intercultural Communication and Diversity Training from Rutgers University. She has additional multicultural and antiracism training through the Unitarian Universalist Association's Journey Toward Wholeness program, Stir Fry Consulting, People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, Plowshares Institute, and the National Coalition Building Institute where she served as Assistant Director for the Central Texas Chapter.

Julie Hazzard

Acoustic Rock from the 70s, 80s, 90s and Today!

Julie has been playing the guitar and singing since she was teenager. She was lead vocalist for the DFW band *SoundZ* back in the early 1980's. After high school, Julie entered the professional "real" world and didn't get back to songwriting for about 10 years - when she did some studio work and started making demo tapes of her original tunes to shop around. Although she has never been signed by a recording label, she has continued playing her original songs and covers of what she calls "Acoustic Rock" in Coffee Houses (that include Jefferson Freedom Café) and private parties around Arlington and Fort Worth, Texas.

In 1999, Julie entered the *Lilith Fair Talent Contest* for a chance to play on the small stage at that year's Lilith Fair. She was chosen as one of the top 20 finalists in the DFW area (and got a nice review in the Ft Worth Star Telegram!).

Julie and her partner are moms to two fantastic (and also very musical) little girls, so the easy going musical life of coffee houses and private events works out great for her to be able to share her music in a family friendly atmosphere. She also prefers the intimacy of these venues and seeing "up close" the enjoyment she is giving her listeners.

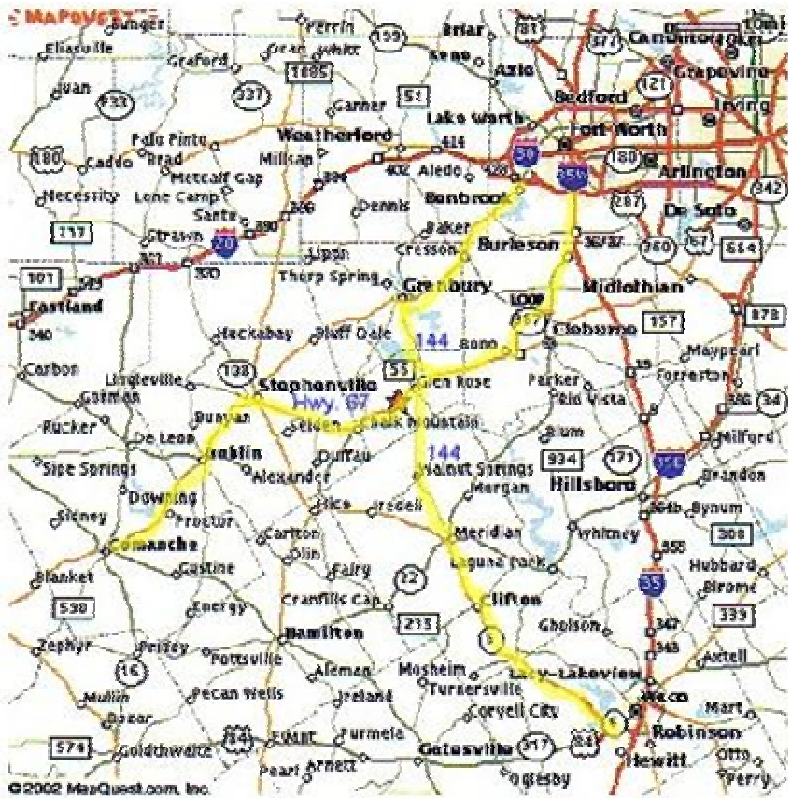
To listen to some of Julie's original work, go to www.myspace.com/juliehazzard or you can follow her on her website: www.juliehazzard.com or www.facebook.com/juliehazzardmusic

SCHEDULE	
FRIDAY	
12:00 – 4:00 PM	SWUUC Board Meeting (MMC)
4:00 – 6:30 PM	Registration in the Ed Bldg Lobby
5:00 – 5:30 PM	Dinner (Cafeteria)
5:30 – 6:30 PM	SWUUC Board Open Forum
7:00 – 7:45 PM	Gathering Worship (Chapel)
8:00 – 10:00 PM	Session 1
SATURDAY	
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast in the Cafeteria
8:45 – 9:15 AM	Morning Worship
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Session 2
12:00 – 12:30 PM	Lunch in the Cafeteria
1:00 – 5:00 PM	Session 3
5:00 – 5:30 PM	Dinner in the Cafeteria
6:00 – 9:00 PM	Session 4
9:00 – 11:00 PM	Julie Hazzard/Social Gathering
SUNDAY	
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast in the Cafeteria
8:45 – 10:45 AM	Session 5
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Worship
12:00 – 12:30 PM	Lunch in the Cafeteria
1:00 – 3:00 PM	Session 6 (if needed)/Departures
3:00 – 3:30 pm	Depart

SWUUC Board Open Forum

A primary role of your District Board involves meaningful dialogue with congregational leaders in order to continually discern and evaluate District purpose and priorities. Come and share your perspectives in this interactive forum and make vital connections with one another. Congregational presidents, board members, ministers and religious educators are especially encouraged to attend.

Directions



From the North through Granbury
Take Hwy 377S from Benbrook. Continue through Granbury. After crossing the lake, exit off 377 onto 144S to Glen Rose. After about 15 miles, turn right on Hwy 67S and go past the Sonic and Best Western. Turn left onto Hwy 144S at Vaughn's Exxon Station. Follow 4 blocks. Glen Lake is on the left as you make the curve.

From Waco
Take Hwy 6W to Valley Mills/Clifton. In Meridian, you'll curve off to the right at a flashing light. At the courthouse, there is a stop sign. Turn left on to Hwy 144N and go through Walnut Springs into Glen Rose. Follow 144N into Glen Rose. At the flashing light on the town square, turn right. Follow this road (Hwy 144N) approximately 1 mile. Glen Lake will be on your right.

From the South on Hwy 144

Follow 144N into Glen Rose. At the flashing light on the town square, turn right. Follow this road (Hwy 144N) approximately 1 mile. Glen Lake will be on your right.

From the West on Hwy 67

Continue on Hwy 67 almost all the way through Glen Rose. Shortly after the hospital (on your right), turn right on Hwy 144S at Vaughn's Exxon Station. Follow 4 blocks. Glen Lake is on the left as you make the curve.

From the East through Burleson/Cleburne

Take I35 south to the Hwy174 exit for Burleson. Go through Burleson, Joshua, and to the edge of Cleburne. Watch for a large sign saying "Glen Rose" and turn to the right on Loop 367. Continue west around Cleburne, merging into Hwy 67 to Glen Rose. As you come into Glen Rose, you'll see a big Exxon station on your left. Keep going up the hill and into Glen Rose. Go past the Sonic and Best Western. Turn left on to Hwy 144S at Vaughn's Exxon Station. Follow 4 blocks. Glen Lake is on the left as you make the curve.

**Southwestern Unitarian Universalist Conference
2011 Fall Leadership Training Registration Form**

Online registration is available at www.swuuc.org

**Mail forms and
payment to:**
SWUUC Fall Conference
Registrar
6720 Brentwood Stair
Road
Fort Worth, TX 76112-
3310

First Name:		Last Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
Daytime Phone:		Evening Phone:	
Email Address:		I am: a youth an adult advisor an adult	
Congregation Name:		Location:	
Gender:	Special Needs:		
The Future of Unitarian Universalism	\$200 per person	\$	
Worship: From Theory to Practice	\$200 per person		
Examining Your Mission Field	\$200 per person		
Beyond Fundraising	\$200 per person		
UU Identity	\$200 per person		
Building Coalitions	\$200 per person		
Kid Program (ages 6 – 13)	\$100 per child		

I am leading one of the tracks _____

Small Group Lodge	\$80 per person	\$
Group Cabin (Youth and Advisors of Youth ONLY)	\$50 per person	
Stillwater (Triple Occupancy)	\$125 per person	
Stillwater (Double Occupancy)	\$135 per person	
Stillwater (Single bedroom, shared bath)	\$145 per person	
Stillwater (Single bedroom, private bath)	\$160 per person	

Preferred Roommate(s): _____

Please add a \$25 late fee if registering after October 10, 2011. \$

Make check or money order payable to SWUUC. Total: \$ _____

Dietary Preference:	Omnivore	Vegetarian	Vegan
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I need a ride from DFW airport

If you need a ride, please provide your airline, flight #, arrival time and departure city (Friday), and departure time (Sunday):

I would like to apply for a scholarship (forms are found at <http://swuuc.org/pages/resources/forms.php>)

**REGISTRATION FEE covers meals from Friday dinner through Sunday lunch.
Housing costs include 2 nights lodging. Registration fee must be received to be registered.
There is a cancellation fee of \$100 after 10/31/11.**

ADULT REGISTRATION FORM
for SWUUC events including youth

Please print unless otherwise indicated

Event title and date: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phones: hm _____ wk _____ cell _____

Email: _____

I am a: parent chaperone guest/speaker sponsor SWUUC Board Rep
 local youth advisor SWUUC youth advisor church staff
 Other _____

Gender: _____

Diet: omnivore vegetarian vegan other specifications: _____

Estimated Time of Arrival at event site: _____

Name of your congregation including city and state (please indicate if a member of CLF)

"I recognize that this adult will be sponsoring youth to the stated event"

Signature of adult's church staff member (DRE, Youth Director, Minister)

For churches with no staff, the Board president will suffice.

For members of CLF, call the district office 1-800-737-9882

I will be sponsoring the following youth: name (and congregation* if different than adult's)

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| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 8. _____ |

*I have notified youths' home congregations that I will be sponsoring their youth.

The event registrar must be notified in advance of any changes on this form, such as additions or deletions of youth attending.

Please fill out both sides of this form and return no later than 2 weeks prior to event.

Adult Agreement to Rules

1. Alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, weapons, violence, and sexual activity will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Use of drugs or medication (even over the counter) without prior notification and permission of the youth's advisor will be considered drug abuse and not allowed.
2. ANY inappropriate, demeaning, derogatory, or disrespectful behavior is unacceptable. Each individual in the community is expected and encouraged to show respect for every other individual, their belongings, the physical church, and everything in it.
3. Any member of the community is empowered and encouraged to voice their opinions, objections, or concerns at any time. The staff of the event and the area steering committee will then take appropriate action.

Smoking Policy:

Due to the unhealthy and addictive nature of smoking, all SWUUC events are non-smoking.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules of this event, _____, and I understand that the consequences of failure to follow them could include my removal from the event. I will help to promote a positive and effective community.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Code of Ethics for Adults and Youth in Leadership Positions

Adults and anyone else 18 years old or over or in a leadership position.

Adults and youth who are in leadership positions, either due to age or office, are in a position of stewardship and play a key role in fostering spiritual development of both individuals and the community. It is therefore especially important that those in leadership positions be well qualified to provide the special care and support that will enable youth to develop a positive sense of self and a spirit of independence and responsibility. The relationship between young people and their leaders must be one of mutual respect if the positive potential is to be realized. Given that cooperation and youth empowerment are an integral part of youth activities, those in leadership positions shall support and recognize youth's right to empower themselves.

There are no more important areas of growth than those of self-worth and the development of a healthful identity as a sexual being. Leaders play a key role in assisting youth in these areas of growth. Those in leadership positions who abuse their roles as leaders damage the community. Experience dictates that all those involved suffer damaging effects when leaders become sexually involved with those they are leading. Leaders shall refrain from engaging in sexual, seductive, or erotic behavior with youth and adults in the community. Neither shall they sexually harass or engage in behavior with youth and adults which constitutes verbal, emotional, or physical abuse. Leaders need to be aware of the strong influence they have in the community. It is expected that their influence will be used positively. In case of violations, appropriate actions will be taken.

As an adult, I will abide by this code of ethics.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

YOUTH REGISTRATION FORM
(ages 14-18 or through age 19 if enrolled in high school)
for SWUUC events (please complete both sides)

Please print unless otherwise indicated

Event title and date: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phones: hm _____ cell _____ Email: _____

Birthday : _____ Grade: _____ Gender: _____

Diet: omnivore vegetarian vegan other specifications: _____

Allergies or dietary restrictions: _____

Other special needs: _____

Advisor(s): _____

Estimated Time of Arrival at event site: _____

Emergency Contact (name and relationship): _____

Emergency Phone Number : _____

Name of your congregation including city and state (please indicate if a member of CLF)

"I understand that this youth from my church is attending the stated event."

Signature and phone number of youth's church staff member (DRE, Youth Director, Minister), if applicable. Number of church official to call in case of reportable incident: _____

For churches with no staff, the Board president will suffice. For members of CLF and anyone not connected with a church, contact the district office 1-800-737-9882

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Smoking Policy:

Due to the unhealthy and addictive nature of smoking, all SWUUC events are non-smoking. Violation of this policy will result in the following action (per event)

1st offense: Confiscation of cigarettes, tobacco, lighters, etc. Information on smoking cessation and any available aid will be given in assisting you in making it through the weekend.

2nd offense: A serious meeting with your advisor and notification of this violation to your parents by phone. Also you will make an apology to the community at large.

3rd offense: Suspension from SWUUC events for a period of 6 months.

*In extreme cases, SWUUC reserves the right to skip any of these steps and proceed accordingly.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules of this event, _____, and I understand that the consequences of failure to follow them could include my removal from the event. I also agree not to leave the set boundaries during the event. I will help to promote a positive and effective community.

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ Parent Initials Page 1 of 2

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Liability Release and Emergency Care Authorization

I hereby grant permission for my child, _____, to attend the following event: _____ . I understand that this site, _____, its staff, and the adult or youth staff of the event does not assume any liability for him/her, and I hereby release them of such liability. In the event that an emergency should arise, I grant permission to those in charge to do whatever is deemed necessary to secure his/her safety and well being, and I hereby authorize in advance any necessary medical care. I agree to be responsible for any such medical expenses. I have completed the medical information below and agree that my child may take any medication listed there.

I, _____, as parent/guardian of the above stated youth give do not give permission to for photos and videos to be published on designated Unitarian Universalist websites for purposes relating to district sponsored, youth events.

NOTES TO PARENTS AND YOUTH: There will be no "R" Rated movies shown at youth events unless listed on the event specific form. Gender specific sleeping areas are always provided. All gender sleeping areas are usually provided. Every sleeping area will be dimly lit and monitored. The one blanket per person rule is observed.

Parents and/or guardians are responsible for their dependent children and/or youth and are required to ensure those dependents are in compliance with all SWUUC policies and procedures. I have discussed the rules (above) with my child and we both realize that failure to follow them could result in his/her removal from the event and/or my child and youth being sent home at my expense.

Medical information: please list any and all medications (over the counter and prescription) your child is to take at the time of the event (if none, so state): _____

For those with insurance: Company: _____

Policy Number: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Parent email address _____ Date: _____

Phone Numbers: _____

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