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Your weekly **Silent Announcements** let you see at a glance everything coming up at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities.

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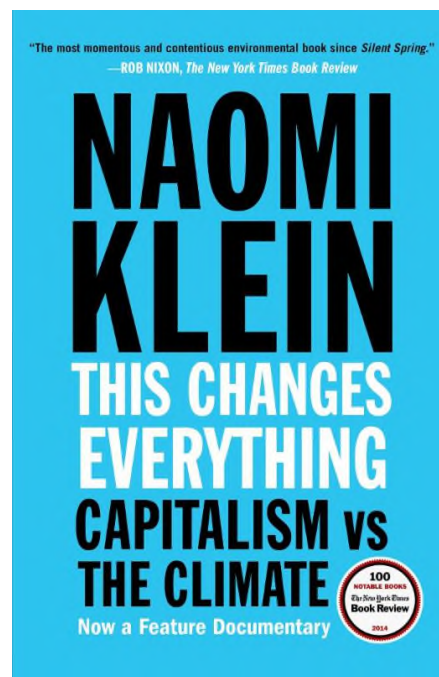
### Sunday Services

April 24 at 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

### This Changes Everything

The title of the service is the title of a book by Naomi Klein. In the book Ms. Klein speaks to the challenges and hopes of the environmental movement. As we celebrate Earth Day, let us all renew our commitment to our home, Earth.

Rev. Jay Wolin



### Adult forums Sundays at 10 a.m.

April 24

### Diversion Coach Frank L Smart Intermediate School

Travis Thomas will discuss the use of Restorative Justice Circles in a school setting. Restorative Justice Circles are quickly becoming an accepted alternative to school suspensions and expulsions. Circles help empower students to establish their own code of conduct and positive climate for learning.

Travis Thomas

# Remaining this week

**All events and meetings in this announcement take place at the UUCQC building at 3707 Eastern Ave., Davenport, Iowa, unless otherwise noted.**

## The Reproductive Project of the UUCQC began 18 months ago with the following goal.

**Social Change Goal:** We will work for awareness of Reproductive Justice Social Issues. The Short Term Objective was to invite known proponents of women's and human right groups to an open meeting to discuss how we might join forces. Forming a coalition with at least one other local group to work on a relevant issue. This effort has been very successful. A coalition has been formed with Edgerton Women's Health, Planned Parenthood and others. They have identified Sexually Transmitted Infections Education as the issue most needed in the Quad Cities. As their work proceeds they will need funds. Share the plate this month will be shared to this project via the nonprofits involved. On a separate note we welcome new members to the project committee. Please contact Elaine Kresse ([elainekresse2@gmail.com](mailto:elainekresse2@gmail.com)) if this is a special area of interest for you. The next meeting of the coalition is **Thursday, April 21 at 3 p.m. at Edgerton Women's Health Center.**

## Planning to attend the MidAmerica Region UUA Annual Meeting?

Are you a member of UUCQC and planning to attend the MidAmerica Region UUA Annual Meeting in St. Paul, MN, April 30 - May 1? If so, and you'd like to serve as a delegate, several delegate credential cards are available. If you're interested, please contact Congregational Administrator Jane at 563-359-9723 or email [administrator@uucqc.org](mailto:administrator@uucqc.org) by **Friday, April 22.** Thanks!

# This week





## Spiritual Conversation

Tuesday, April 26 at 6:45 p.m.

## Earth-Based Traditions - Beltane Celebration

Saturday, April 30, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Our Earth-Based Traditions Team hosts this event celebrating the beginning of summer. Outdoors if weather permitting. Potluck to follow.

Please join us in celebrating Beltane on Saturday, April 30. We will begin to gather at 5:30 p.m., downstairs and hopefully outside if the weather permits. Ceremony will begin promptly at 5:45 p.m.

Community Potluck will be held immediately following. We encourage all who plan to attend our potluck to bring your own place settings. This is one small way we can honor Mother Earth by cutting down on waste.

Should you wish to use our childcare service, please call the office at 563-359-0816 by **noon on Wednesday, April 27**. [Click here](#) for more information on our Facebook event.



## Archives Team

The time has come! Katy McClusky is passing the torch that is Archives Team. We are looking for organized people to run the Archives Team. If you like history, love organizing, or want to learn more about UUCQC history, this team is for you! Contact Amanda in the office by phone, 563-359-0816, or email [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org), if you are interested.

## UUCQC is on [Meetup.com](https://www.meetup.com)

Events and activities open to the public will be listed on Meetup.com under our group, Unitarian Universalist of the QC. Please consider following us on that website. And if you are leader a group or activity that a person hears about through [Meetup.com](https://www.meetup.com), make the extra effort to be welcoming!



## Hospitality needed May 14

The Earth-Based Traditions Team is pleased to announce that the Reverend Selena Fox will be joining our congregation for a ritual on Saturday, May 14. During that ritual, the Earth-Based Team needs a volunteer or two to prep coffee and the social hall (basic hospitality) for a potluck that follows the ritual. Please email Amanda at [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org) if you can help.



## Minister Appreciation Team

It has been one year since we started the Minister Appreciation Team, formerly known as the SECRET Minister Appreciation Team (S.M.A.T.). I think it has been a fun experience for the people who signed up. Now we are looking for more members! Here's how it works:

1. You sign up by emailing Matthew Toland at [mctoland@gmail.com](mailto:mctoland@gmail.com)
2. I will put your name on a calendar
3. Once or twice a year (depending on how many people participate) you will get an email reminder that it is your turn. The email will include the schedule and a list of ideas
4. You send a card, gift, message of support or encouragement, or some other form of appreciation to Rev. Jay at UUCQC

THAT'S IT! It is fun and easy! If you were on the team last year, I will keep your name on the list unless you contact me to let me know that you no longer want to participate. If we get 52 members everyone will have a turn once a year, but you are encouraged to show your appreciation anytime!

Thanks,  
Matthew Toland

## It's Never Too Late to Pledge

The Board is finalizing the budget for our next fiscal year July 2016 - June 2017 for presentation to the Congregation at our annual meeting May 22. If you are planning to pledge, but have not submitted your pledge card for next year, we would greatly appreciate it you could do so as

soon as possible. This will allow the Board to better able to plan for next year. If you need a pledge card, please contact the office. If you have any questions about pledging, please do not hesitate to ask a Board Member, Stewardship or Rev. Jay. All are welcome to pledge!! You do not have to be a member to pledge and support the Congregation.

## Looking ahead

### WOW, a gathering for lunch and conversation

Come join the crowd **Tuesday, May 3 at 11:30 a.m.** at Ross' 24 Hr. Restaurant, 2297 Falcon Drive, Bettendorf. Directions: Going East on 53rd, go past 2 lights after the cinemas and look for the U of I Credit Union and McDonald's. Turn right at McDonald's. Ross' Restaurant is located behind the QS Service Station. (Alas it is not the old Ross's, but the food is as good as ever!)

Call Connie Meyer at 309-794-9677 or email Jackie Erikson at [jdherikson@aol.com](mailto:jdherikson@aol.com)

### Blood drive

**Saturday, May 7 from 8-11 a.m.**

To schedule an appoint call Gale Springer at 309-269-6730. Last date to donate elsewhere: 3/12/2016.

### Rummage sale coordinator needed

Please email Julie at [bejjross@msn.com](mailto:bejjross@msn.com) if you would like to be one of the Rummage Sale coordinators. The UU Rummage Sale set up will be Sunday, June 5 at noon. Donations will be accepted throughout the week of June 6-9. The actual sale will be Friday, June 10 and Saturday, June 11. Clean up will be Sunday, June 12. We will be asking for other volunteers as it gets closer. This is your chance to get involved as a LEADER!

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