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Mid-May, 2009

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Publication deadlines June Windows: May 18 Summer Update: mid-summer



Summer planning....

Summer services

The Religious Services Committee is working with Rev. Sam to plan a full schedule of services for the summer. Lynne Lekakis will be coordinating the summer services. The June Windows will have a list of presenters and topics. We need ushers, service leaders, and greeters: sign up sheets will be at the Sign Up Site in Channing Hall.



services this summer and please sign up to help. Thanks!

Plan to come to

SRC needs summer volunteers

FUUSA will be the hosting a summer arts and literacy program from July 6-Aug. 14. The program will be run by the Frank Chapman Institute for young children from local neighborhoods. The program will run 8 a.m.-5 p.m., five days a week and will culminate in a performance on the evening of August 14.

We at FUUSA will need a group of volunteers to open front door, monitor the halls, rooms, etc. This is an opportunity for us to give local children a good experience. A sign up sheet will go up in Channing Hall soon so start checking your calendar to volunteer a couple of hours a week towards this worthy effort.

Notes from the Board

A great deal of our mission at FUUSA is accomplished through standing councils, hard working committees, and special task forces. Some of these groups are part of our institutional fabric; others come and go as needs or issues arise, are tackled, and then put to rest. Whether short or long term in duration, the work done by these many groups target tasks or programs that enhances the life of our congregation. At the April Board meeting, both a new committee and a task force were established, and, in addition, the Board heard from two existing committees with specific concerns. Carolyn Stetson came to the Board on behalf of the Art and Aesthetics Committee. They are seeking support and clarification of the committee's charge. She described their expanding role since the committee was formed in 2008. The Board agreed

that the committee should be empowered to move forward in the direction they are taking so that issues of wear and tear and repair of furnishings and décor can be managed, storage needs can be addressed, and decisions continue to be made about making our space artful and aesthetic. The Board thanked Carolyn and expressed its appreciation for the committee's work and dedication.

George Kleinberger met with the Board to discuss what direction the Annual Dinner should take. Attendance has decreased while prices have increased. Is there a correlation? Can the event be subsidized by the operating budget? Are factors other than cost standing in the way of attendance? Some folks have expressed preference for an annual event that kicks off the canvass and draws in *everyone;* others enjoy

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Annual Meeting Sunday, May 17, 2009

10:00-11:00 Service

11:00-11:45 Coffee Hour PLUS
11:30-11:45 Parents take children to assigned rooms for childcare and sign them in with caregivers
11:45 Annual Meeting starts in Emerson Community Hall

Families needing child care should reserve space by calling the office at 463-7135 so that we will be prepared with sufficient caregivers and snacks.

Copies of the proposed budget and any resolutions to be presented at the meeting may be picked up in Channing Hall starting May 3.

Offices to be elected

President Linda Way Vice-President Chuck Manning Secretary Jan McCracken Treasurer Dave Metz Ass't. Treasurer Kathy Harris Religious Education Chair** Molly Daniels Social Responsibilities Chair** Lois Griffin

Contested Elections*

Board of Trustees (3 year term-2 to be elected; 2 year term-1 to be elected; 1 year term-1 to be elected) Todd Gray Virginia Hammer Scott Murray Dave MacLeod Randy Rosette Bruce Smith Dave Street Nancy Wagner

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Endowment Trust (3-year terms, 1 to be elected) Jay Gallagher Lee Newberg Nominating Committee (3-year terms, 2 to be elected) Mark Butt Donna Doran Bob Franklin Dave Munro

Uncontested

Religious Education Council (3-year terms, 4 to be elected)

Cate Bohn Brian Frank Leah Gaetano Amy Souzis

Social Responsibilities Council (3-year terms, 2 to be elected) Ann Brandon Rudy Johnson

*The bylaws call for the Board of Trustees, Endowment Trust, and Nominating Committee to be contested.

**Ex-officio member of Board of Trustees

Absentee Ballots

FUUSA's bylaws provide for the use of absentee ballots for elections. They are to be used by members who are home-bound or who will be out of town on the day of the annual meeting, May 17, 2009. Request a ballot from the church office. Ballots will be available from Sunday, May 3 to Friday, May 15. <u>Completed ballots, sealed in an envelope, must be received in the church office on or before 11:00 AM on Friday, May 15</u>.

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the special character of an off site "dress-up" event and do not want that aspect compromised. PCC agreed to pursue the issue and report back to the Board. If you did not attend the Annual Dinner this year and would be willing to share your reasons, feel free to speak to George, Chuck or someone else from PCC or the Board.

The Board endorsed the formation of two new groups: an Internship Committee and a Safe Congregation Policy Task Force. The Internship Committee will work alongside our new ministerial intern, Chris Antal, by supporting him to meet his learning goals for the 2009-10 church year. The Safe Congregation Task Force will look more closely at the issues raised at the March 26 Congregational Conversation on the policy. At that Conversation many different voices and opinions were heard and the Board agreed that certain aspects of the Safe Congregation Policy need further attention and review - including the issue of background checks and the RE teacher application. The Task Force will be asked to study the issues that pose potential challenges to implementing the policy and make recommendations to resolve those issues. Persons will be asked to serve on the Task Force who have expressed a variety of opinions and can address the issues with clarity, caring, and proficiency.

The Board also planned the agenda for the Annual Meeting. We hope to see you there following the service on May 17! Childcare will be provided.

Circle Dinner

6 to 9 at 6:09

6:09 p.m., Saturday, May 30

Last day to sign up: May 24 You can sign up by phone or email: contact Ann Lapinski.

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COME AND ENJOY A UNIQUE BLEND OF POETRY, MUSIC AND (OF COURSE!) JAVA! AT THE

2009 ORIEL COFFEEHOUSE

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 7 PM Emerson Community Hall

MASTER OF CEREMONIES David MacLeod

ENJOY THE MUSIC OF: Dean Howard Kabel Stanwicks Randy Rosette and The Barbershop Quartet <i>"Revisions"</i>	AND READINGS OF: Philomena Moriarty Poems by Rebecca Myer Ann Lapinski Julie Lomoe Alan Casline Pam Clements	
"Revisions"		
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Thanks to the mentors! Rite of Passage trip to Boston a groundbreaking success!

We were a group of 23 - Rite of Passage youth, mentors, Rev. Sam and I, for our trip to Boston May 2 through 4. This was a culmination and celebration of our program with the highest number participants to date. Ann D'Attilio and Rev Sam took the first group in 1994. We enjoyed warm and mostly dry weather for the three days, which made our visit to Walden Pond, and our strolls along the Freedom Trail, the tiny sidewalks in the North End, the park-like median of Commonwealth Ave, and the paths of the Public Garden and Boston Common all the more glorious. The tulips, dogwood, magnolia, apple and other fruit trees were in full bloom.

Our trip started in Concord where we visited Henry David Thoreau's cabin, toured Orchard House, home of the Alcotts, with historical interpreters; walked across at the North Bridge and saw the famous Minuteman Statue. In Boston proper we attended services at First Church and Kings Chapel; visited Arlington Street Church where we met with my colleague there for a discussion about developing one's UU faith and got a tour of the church, including a winding climb up the steeple to ring the bells high above Boston Common; visited First Church where we met with their archivist; toured the UU Association national offices at 25 Beacon Street and had a discussion with a staff member of the youth offices; and went shopping at Fanieull Hall.

Our meals ranged from the pedestrian to the sublime - continental breakfasts, ice cream trucks, hot dog stands, Whole Foods, Quincy Market and La Familia Giorgia Restaurant. Our first night, we were lucky to have dinner at the First UU Parish of Arlington, MA. We were graciously welcomed and fed by members of their congregation, including Rev. Sam's cousin. First Parish also hosted the Rite of Passage group from May Memorial Church in Syracuse that evening and after a pasta bake dinner we all played board games for a bit before we FUUSAns headed into to Boston.

For the first time, instead of staying in a hotel outside the city, our group stayed in Boston proper at the Hemenway Hostel in the Back Bay which was less than 2 miles

Interfaith Impact of NYS Lobby Day

Monday, May 11, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

WILL YOU BE THERE? Please join others from liberal religious traditions in advocating for marriage equality, Help advocate for marriage equality for same couples, comprehensive sexuality education for teens, and farmworker justice. Look for registration forms on the Programs Bulletin Board. And, please ask Robb Smith or Don Odell about this important day. We need YOU. We can make a difference.

Preschool Playgroup

Our FUUSA preschool playgroup will be meeting in Washington Park in the playground area at 10:30 am on Mondays during good weather. On rainy days we will continue to meet in the toddler room. Caregivers with their children of preschool age are encouraged to come join the fun.

from most of our destinations in Boston. The hostel reminded some of us of dorm life back in college with all its opportunities for building close relationships as well as lessons on how to handle the noise, close quarters and food that most college dorms offer up.

Though traveling on a low budget with a large group of people who have wide ranging interests was a challenge, afterwards, the youth and the mentors deemed the trip a success. To eat, sleep, travel, worship in UU congregations that were new to us, visit sites of UU heritage and also to have opportunities for formal and spontaneous discussions between youth, mentors, and UU's from outside our congregation was transformative. The youth were wonderful and the adults really hung in there! The RoP youth, Rev. Sam, and I are very grateful to all the mentors of this year's program for all their participation, sharing, and hard work. I think everyone in the congregation should Boston, continued on pg. 4

Welcome new members!

We are delighted to welcome the following new members this month:

Bruce King is a sophomore at RPI majoring in Environmental Engineering and a cadet in Air Force ROTC. This summer he will head to Field Training at Maxwell Air Force Base, in Alabama for a month and volunteer at Baiting Hollow Scout Camp. In his free time at school, he sings with the Rensselaer Concert Choir and he is an area officer for the Arnold Air Society.

Sybil Stock is a holistic psychiatrist who incorporates alternatives to medication, nutritional counseling, and mindfulness-based therapy in her private practice. She is the single adoptive parent of a girl, age 14, who attends the Harriet Tubman Free School in Albany. Sybil is a peace activist, member of Women Against War, and an aspiring folksinger.

Welcome. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to Bruce and Sybil when you see them. - L

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say thank you to these adults - who were already very busy - for helping to instill Unitarian Universalist values in our Rite of Passage youth, for working with the youth throughout the year to help them develop their UU faith, and for fostering their UU identity by showing them what it is to be an active and engaged adult UU. Our mentors this year were Fred Boreali, Mark Butt, Pam Collins, Al DeSalvo, Donna Doran, Sheila Gray, Linda Hunt, Chris Jensen, Barb Metz, Kate Nuding, Randy Rosette, Dave Street and Terry Way.

I'll have a go at it, "Thank you, mentors! You are awesome!" Now you....— Leah Purcell

Give Away the Plate

On May 31 our entire collection will be donated to the Frank Chapman Institute to help support literature and music camps for inner-city youth. In addition to the summer camps, the Institute provides after school enrichment programs addressing the developmental needs of youth residing in Albany County's urban areas and sponsors community events in the area. This organization is an important resource for innercity families and your generosity in supporting their work will be very much appreciated!

General Assembly June 24-28 Salt Lake City

General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations. GAs make overall policy for the Association. And there are also many workshops, presentations, activities and opportunities for worship. If you are interested in being a FUUSA delegate to GA, please contact Linda Way, or Don Odell.

Green Sanctuary

The following are some ideas given by members on how they are conserving energy:

•Keep your freezer full as it operates more efficiently when full.

•Make a list of what you need from the refrigerator before you open it so it doesn't get opened excessively.

•Wash laundry only when you have a full load and use cold water

•Use cloth towels and napkins instead of paper products.

•Check at the SRC table on a composting buddy.

Garden day at FUUSA

On Saturday, May 16 we will be installing a new garden and cleaning up the existing ones. Plants that will be needed for the gardens: cleome white or purple, not pink; verbena bonariensis; amaranth (red); dahlias; cannas; Jacobs Ladder; coneflower. Please let Paula Moskowitz know if you can help out and/or donate any of these plants.

If you can help out, please be at FUUSA at 10 am on May 16 with gardening gloves and basic tools (trowel, clippers, kneeling pad). If rain threatens or it only drizzles, work will go on, only actual rain will cause cancellation. Any last minute questions that day - call Paula on her cell phone.

Joint Celebration images

Thanks to all who attended or participated in Building Bridges: A Celebration of Beloved Community last week. It was an amazing event, with over 600 Unitarian Universalists celebrating together. While our ministers and lay leaders decide our next steps (cluster-wide events, our coordinated marketing campaign, etc.), we want to keep the good feelings going through sharing the sights and sounds of the celebration. If you took photographs or video of the event that you would like to share, please contact Kimberley Debus (UUCSS).

Think....Fall?

UU Weekend at Silver Bay Oct. 16-18, 2009

> Sign up on Sundays in Channing Hall.

Social Responsibilities Council

Overflow Homeless Shelter meals conclude for this season

Lois Griffin and I attended a "Thank You" meal at First Lutheran for all the churches that prepared meals for the shelter this season. We want to convey thanks to all of you who helped to prepare and/or deliver meals this season (November - April.) Some of you provided salads, some desserts; many of you helped prepare and deliver the meals and some did the entire job on their own! Thanks for this season go to: Jerry Deighan, Eileen Hoffman, Terry Way, Nora Purcell, Margie Eddy, the Ekengrens, Joe Norton, Peggy Slocum, Martha Schroeder, Maria Joyner, and Jean Bolgatz (our super salad lady.) Thanks also to the Rummage Sale proceeds and SRC for their financial support.

With your willingness to help out, we look forward to continuing to help those in need at this shelter as the

Religious Exploration for children and youth this Fall...

Can you teach? Can you guide? Can you share? Can you try something new?

The Religious Education Council and I are keeping our traditional set up this fall, with groups of children of about the same age and sets of curricula and teams of adult volunteers for each in our R.E. Program. BUT we are looking at some new kinds of curricula and one new twist on how we offer lessons. I hope you'll read on and consider playing at part in the program.

For a while now, you have been hearing me say that children and youth can and do fill the role of spiritual guides as much as adult volunteers in our RE program. Children chill sets in next November.--Barb Cooley and Lois Griffin

School supplies collection

Collection box: Lobby When: mid-May to Aug. 1 What do we need? #2

pencils, pens, boxes of 24 crayons, colored markers, colored pencils, yellow highlighters, glue bottles and glue sticks, composition books, spiral notebooks, pocket folders, 3-hole pocket folders, 3-ring binders, pink erasers, pencil



boxes and pouches, sticky notes, combination locks.



and youth can bring new insights and point to new ways of thinking that adults have difficulty discovering on their own or amongst themselves. "Out of the mouths of babes ... " "When youth lead ... " When adults can complete these open-ended truisms, they might end up with a nugget of wisdom that can help inform how them on how to develop their faith, their way of being in the world. You've also heard from other teachers in the May "Windows" that working in RE program that it's "a privilege to share in the 'firstness' of children's experience", that "you don't have to teach to a test."

So it doesn't seem quite right to ask if you can "sign up to teach RE." Perhaps it would be more accurate to ask if you would like to join a group of guides to share some time on Sunday mornings this fall with a particular group of children or youth. In recent years, we have spelled out different roles to fulfill in the RE program. Each group of children needs several people (we use the term "teacher" as shorthand) to who will commit to leading the activities a couple of times a month. As you also read in "Windows", there is a curriculum for each group and you get to pick and choose what appeals to you from the curriculum. Plus you have support from experienced adults and from me. If you want less responsibility, you might consider volunteering to be an assistant in a group. Assistants know from planning with the teachers and from their curriculum what the activities are each week, and support the teachers a with the activities couple of times each month. Helpers and aides help the group of children or an individual child to stay engaged with the rest of the group, or to choose an alternate activity. Again, each volunteer can expect to be with the group of children a couple of times a month. And each week, I offer to help the teachers by gathering materials for them. This gives everyone the opportunity to attend Sunday morning services regularly and to spend time focusing and reflecting on their time with the children to make it more of a spiritual practice.

Do you feel like you have a particular talent or experience you would like to share with a group of children occasionally! Hooray! I am looking for you! Sometimes the curricula ask for visitors with particular experiences or talents.

And we need a few people with particular talents in order to try out something new called "Workshop Rotation" next year. In this model, workshop leaders offer a workshop for a group of children. Each workshop is geared to follow-up on the story of the month. Here is a quick *Exploration, continued on pg. 6*

Joys and Caring Corner

If you need the services of the Caring Network, please call the office during regular hours at 463-7135.

Items of personal joy or caring may be submitted during the service on the yellow cards provided, or directly to Irene Saulsbery or Ann Lapinski.

Annual UU Men's Gathering at Unirondack

June 5 - 7

Fees: \$75 per person

This is an opportunity, men of all ages to share our experiences as men and explore what it means to be a man. Call Mark Butt or Fred Boreali for more information.

Entertainment books

Our 2009-2010 order needs to be placed in May. Cost is \$35 payable when the books are delivered. To reserve your book or books, contact John Walko.

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example. Take the story of John Murray. His ship from England got stranded on a sandbar in New Jersey before (and until?) he decided to preach the message of Universalism to America. One workshop could be on the science of wind; another could be a drama workshop to enact the story; an art workshop could create a mural of the ship; a cooking workshop could prepare a shipboard meal and a worship workshop could create the Children's Time in the service for the next week. Each week a different group of children and their teachers visits a different workshop. Each week the workshop leader presents to a different group of children. Before we get started with all this, I'll bring the teachers up to speed and I'll be working with and offering a special training for workshop leaders.

Rev. Sam, the RE Council and I have been talking about creating a theme for the RE program and Children's Time to try out the Workshop Rotation model for one month next year, probably January. You'll be hearing more from us all on that soon.

And as I said at the beginning, the RE Council and I are looking at some new curricula from the UUA called Tapestry of Faith. We'll being making the final decisions about the

offerings later in May. In the meantime, look for some very creative sign-up sheets in Channing Hall that will allow you to show your interest in participating in the adventure I like to call Religious Exploration with our children and youth. As always, feel free to call me at the office (463-7135) or email me at dre@albanyuu. org with any questions you have. Or try to catch me on a Sunday morning. -Leah Purcell

Sign up in Channing Hall or call Eileen Hoffman or for Greeters Lynne Lekakis.

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May 31 F. Eames R&J Satin J. Eddy	May 24	K. Harris				A. Newberg
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Events Happening Every Sunday at FUUSA

9:00 AM	Mindfulness Meditation	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Service	Emerson
10:00 AM	Religious Education	Classrooms
11:00 AM	Coffee Hour	Channing, Emerson

Events Happening Every Week in the Month of May

Mondays	10:30 AM	Pre-School Playgroup	23
Tuesdays	10:00 AM	Philosophy Group	B-8
-	1:00 PM	Bridge	B-8
Wednesdays	10:00 AM	Projects & Quilts	B-8
-	7:00 PM	Choir rehearsal	Emerson

Exceptions: Choir—No rehearsal Wednesday May 20; No choir on Sunday, May 10

All Other Events Happening in the Month of May

14-May	9:00 AM	Oriel Coffeehouse Setup	Emerson
	5:30 PM	Public Relations Committee	Channing
	7:00 PM	PCC Meeting	B-8
15-May	9:00 AM	Oriel Coffeehouse Prep	Emerson
	7:00 PM	Oriel Coffeehouse	Emerson
16-May	10:00 AM	Gardening	FUUSA gardens
17-May	7:00 PM	Dances of Universal Peace	Channing
	11:45 AM	Annual Meeting	Emerson
18-May	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Windows deadline SGM Perkins	B-8
		Preschool Playgroup Channing Circle	23 (rain location) Channing
19-May	7:00 PM	SGM Sherman	Stott/Joy Library
20-May	1:30 PM	SGM Patka	B-8

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	5:30 PM	SGM Murray	B-8
21-May	7:00 PM	Board of Trustees	B-8
-	7:00 PM	SGM Street/Boreali	Stott/Joy Library
24-May	11:45 AM	Green Sanctuary Committee	e B-7
25-May	10:30 AM	Preschool Playgroup	23 (rain location)
	7:30 PM	Monday Men	Stott/Joy Library
26-May	1:00 PM	Windows mailing	Channing
28-May	6:30 PM	Finance Committee	B-8
29-May	11:00 AM	Dot Fischer Memorial Service	e Sanctuary
30-May	9:00 AM	Plant Sale	Manning's, Delmar
	6:00 PM	Circle Dinner date	off-site homes
31-May	11:30 AM	Jones Memorial Reception	Channing

Can Can with the Choir !



Please bring your (clean) returnable beverage containers—or receipts for those you've already returned—to support the FUUSA Choir's tour of Eastern Europe.

There is a container in the coatroom for bottles and cans, and an envelope for receipts.

Ushers needed—Don't

forget that ushers are needed for the services every Sunday. It's easy to do under the guidance of a trained Head Usher. Sign up for a Sunday on the list posted in Channing Hall. Your help is needed.

Walker Book Club

The Walker Book Club will next meet on Sun. June 14, commencing with a potluck supper at 5:30 PM at Lisa Walker's, Delmar. Bring your favorite dish to share, and a small contribution to cover beverages. If you need directions, call Lisa. Newcomers are always welcome.

June 14: Short stories were were selected at the April meeting, and distributed at the May meeting. John Updike retrospective: How Was it, Really? ; Scenes from the Fifties; and The Cats. The selections were narrowed to two at the May meeting.

Summer Book, People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks.

Fall meeting is Sept. 13.

Channing Circle

We will meet at noon Mon. May 18. Bring your lunch and enjoy dessert provided by two of our group. The program will be of great interest to all of us, as well as to younger FUUSAns who do not know how we



Saturday, May 30 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

at the Mannings' house , 18 Salisbury Road, Delmar

Reasonable prices and sturdy homegrown perennial plants!

traveled before the super highway system became a way of life! So, let's go cruising on America's Highway— Route 66—as Steve Rider (Mim's son) leads us on a journey to yesteryear. We will meet some of the people, places and events that still make Route 66 a popular destination. The program will start at 1:00 PM and all are welcome to enjoy it.

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Sunday Services

Mindfulness Meditation, 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary

SERVICE is at 10:00 a.m., Emerson Community Hall except as noted Religious education classes for children are at 10:00: the Nursery opens at 9:45.

May 17 "A Common Fire," Rev. Sam Trumbore

Expanding global awareness and shrinking public engagement can create in us strong discomfort. A greater awareness of human suffering stimulates our moral sensibility without perceiving a viable moral way to respond. How do we develop, in Jim Wallis' words, "a sense of the common good, an emphasis on community and compassion in everyday life, and a values-based politics in the public sphere" and then make it real?

May 24 "War and the Soul" Ed Tick

Ed Tick, known for his work with soldiers returning from Vietnam and elsewhere, will reflect on the silent costs of war that are paid by the souls of the individuals we send to fight them. Ed specializes in the treatment of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, frequently by leading return visits to Vietnam for groups of Vietnam vets.

May 31 "Unitarian Pride" Brian Frank

Finding a religious practice has long been a difficult area for openly Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender people, even more so now that increasing numbers of them are raising families. Many of our religious and ideological institutions claim high ideals yet are in denial about their rejection of the rights of GLBT people. Come and learn how Unitarian Universalism's solidarity with GLBT people and defense of the First Principle can be a source of pride for FUUSA. Brian Frank and his partner Steven Bush are members of FUUSA, and their son is Darius.

