

Weekly Newsletter
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Upcoming Sunday Service: On February 19th Cheryl Floyd will be speaking at the First Unitarian Universalist Church of West Volusia located at 116 S. Clara Ave in DeLand. Cheryl's program is titled "Cajun Pride and Southern Comfort." As with many of her stories that are based on memories and traditions this one tells about the excitement and celebrations of the New Orleans Mardi Gras. Cheryl Floyd has been an educator for over 20 years and is a graduate of East Tennessee State University 's Storytelling Masters program. She is actively involved with the Florida Storytelling Association and locally with the Sandcastle Storytellers. Cheryl was raised in southern Louisiana where she was steeped in her family's Cajun heritage of good food, music and fun which she loves sharing through her stories. Her audiences have ranged in age from 4 to 104 in venues that include festival stages, conferences, classrooms, living rooms and front porches. You can learn more about Cheryl at her web site <www.cherylfloyd.com>. Religious education for children of all ages is provided.

New Members: We all join together in welcoming these new members to our church. Along with them comes a half dozen or so children. Yippee! Karen Altizer, Oscar Brock, Julie and Leon Dary, Dawn Hoppe, Ruth Johnson, Amber and Nicodemus Lewis-Schoenwald, Nicole McKechnie, Kim and Josh Rust, and Carroll Sampson. Welcome to you all!

Annual Talent and Service Auction, Saturday, March 24th: Sign up sheets for donations for the auction are available today. Optional dates for activities and parties will cover from now until spring 2013. No need to squeeze them into 2012. So, put on your thinking caps for parties, dinners, outings, objects of value to make our Auction Party the best ever. The Committee for the Auction will be forming ASAP and anyone interested in this project please talk to Judith or Linda. For donation ideas, see a copy of the auction book from last year at the Greeters Table and in the Fellowship Hall.

National Poetry Month: In honor of National Poetry Month our church will be having a poetry reading service on April 15th! We need your help though! We want to know what poems are your absolute favorites - the ones that move you. Please write the title and author clearly and give it to a member of the programming committee or email to nimbersunrise@gmail.com. We'll be taking suggestions until April 1st. Thank you!

Programming Committee Members: Cheryl Orr, Suzanne Southard, Amber Lewis-Schoenwald, Josh Rust (or Kim), Noreen Oberpriller, Emile Dubuc, insert your name here.