

## School Backpacks for Homeless Children

As part of annual MLK National Day of Service, Arlington Street Church raised \$809 to provide K-12 homeless children with new, high-quality backpacks filled with school supplies. This spring we purchased 32 backpacks and the contents. Our children filled the backpacks during Sunday CRE, and they will be distributed by School on Wheels of Massachusetts in time for the start of the school year. Thanks to all who gave so generously to make this possible.

## Coffee Hour Is Not Magic

Week after week, our dedicated team of hard-working volunteers, headed up by Sharon Pressly-Fiero and Jon Ellertson, manage to nourish our bodies deliciously and provide a forum for us to visit with each other after worship. They do the menu planning, shopping, cooking, cleaning, AND their efforts and your donations helped contribute over \$5,000 for church operations this year. We thank the team for taking such good care of us!

## And How We Served Each Other!

You bought Fair Trade coffee and gifts for the holidays and supported not only the producers, but the work of the Social Action Committee. You ordered pies at Thanksgiving from Community Servings, a non-profit that prepares and delivers daily lunches and dinners to homebound individuals. You sang in the choir and delighted us with your voices. You helped clean the sanctuary at the Dust-A-Thon. You contacted folks to remind them to support the church with a Covenant Renewal pledge. You helped put on the splendid Indulge Gala to raise money for all sorts of good works. You sang carols at Brighton House; you lead a class, a course, or a workshop at the church; you helped get Inside/OSS ready; you were part of the worship team; you worked on a committee and helped do the business of the church; you reached out to newcomers; you came to worship together!

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Covenant Renewal 2011-2012

Your pledge of financial support to our beloved spiritual community is greatly appreciated. July 1st begins the new church year and we would love to include your pledge! When making your pledge, please consider that the UUA and Mass Bay District dues amount to \$78 for each member of the church. If you haven't pledged yet, now would be a great time to drop your pledge form into the collection plate. Thank You!

### School Volunteers Needed This Fall

The Mather Elementary School in Dorchester, MA is looking for volunteers for this fall. You can work one day (or part of a day) per week, either as a classroom aide or a tutor. If you would like to know more, please email Rev. Cheryl Rubin Lloyd through the church office, office@ASCBoston.org.

### The Weeds Are Winning!

Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, is looking for a hand-me-down or new gas-powered weed wacker. The church grounds would benefit greatly from your generosity.

## COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2011 through June 2012

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We Commit an Annual Total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Support the Work of the Arlington Street Church for July 2011 - June 2012.

My/Our Pledge for the Church Fiscal Year Will Be Paid:

Weekly  Monthly  Quarterly

Semi-annually  One payment  Or As Follows: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions may be made via cash, check, or credit card. If you are paying your pledge with cash via the Sunday collection, be sure to clearly mark the envelope with your name(s) and indicate "Pledge Payment". Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church and also please include "2012 pledge payment" on memo line. If you wish to use a credit card, please complete the information below:

Mastercard  Visa Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

One Time Charge  Monthly Contribution

### SUGGESTION BOX

The staff and leadership of Arlington Street Church welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions. If you have a thought to share about what works well or what could be improved, please send a message to **Comments@ASCBoston.org**. Your message will be received by the Church's administrative assistant so it can find its way to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow-up. Thanks! For emergencies, please see "Our Caring Community" to the right.

### SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Assistant to the Administrator. Jeffrey is able to help you Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM. He can be reached by phone at 617.536.7050 ext. 14 or by e-mail at JBouchard@ASCBoston.org.

### INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before Tuesday noon to **print@ascboston.org**. Phyllis Guiliano (church administrator) will receive this email and will compile all of the announcements for publication. Materials must be legible, signed, and fully composed and may be edited, as space is limited. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

### OUR CARING COMMUNITY

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office, 617.536.7050. Our staff and ministers will be in touch to lend support.

### SECURITY NOTE

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended!

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# INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

## TODAY

### Coffee Hour

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you are visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

## THIS WEEK

### Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There will be a \$10 charge that goes to the church.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Worship at Arlington Street Church this Summer!

Thanks to Rob Cuddi, Liz Weber, Sarah Richards, and Maria Cristina Vlassidis Burgoa for the fabulous lineup of speakers engaged for this summer. Come keep the faith!

### First Up!

Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

"Borderlands Testimonies: Storytelling as Rituals of Resistance and Transformation" ..... Maria Cristina Vlassidis Burgoa

Maria Cristina Vlassidis Burgoa received her Masters in Divinity degree in 2007 from Harvard Divinity School. Currently, she is a Doctoral Candidate in the Religion, Gender, and Culture Program at Harvard Divinity School. Her focus is the intersection between Latin American Liberation Theology and Gender Identities. Maria Cristina, her Grandmother Rosario, and her Mother Lily immigrated to New York from Chile. While in law school, she

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completed her clinical internship in immigrants' rights and was part of both the Sanctuary Movement and ACT UP. After obtaining her law degree, Maria Cristina received her calling to the ministry while working in the AIDS Hospice in Mission Hill. She was an intern and youth minister at First Parish UU Needham from 2005-2007. Maria Cristina is scheduled to meet with the Ministerial Fellowship Committee in March of 2012.

**July 3**  
 "Who's Extraordinary?" ..... Harriotte Hurie Ranvig

**July 10**  
 "All or Something" ..... Barbara Seidl

**July 17**  
 TBA ..... Rev. Vera O'Brien

**July 24**  
 "Honest Parenting: Finding Center Between Anger and Joy"  
 Clementine Cummer-Nacco

**July 31**  
 "Lust" ..... Desmond Ravenstone

**August 7**  
 "Letting Go, Retirement by Degree" ..... Doug Fiero

**August 14**  
 "Graceful Exits" ..... Sarah Richards

**August 21**  
 "Love Will Receive Me" ..... Allison Palm

**August 28**  
 "The Sacred Yes" ..... Heather Concannon

**September 4**  
 TBA ..... Rebecca Froom

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## SOCIAL ACTION YEAR AT A GLANCE

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### In Service at Arlington Street Church

There have been so many wonderful ways that Arlington Street Church has reached out this year to serve each other, our community, and needs beyond. Let's give a big thank you to everyone who donated their time and/or resources to make these efforts happen!

### Villages without Walls

Villages without Walls anti-violence work has been supported by Arlington Street Church since Jubilee began. In 2008 and 2009, ASC provided partial funding for Villages's summer employment and training program for gang involved youth in Dorchester, MA. The program is now operating year round on a shoestring budget, provided this year by the Boston Foundation.

Arlington Street Church members have provided service as part of our Jubilee project, in the form of technical assistance, board support, community dialogues, food pantry support, and sheetrock work

*We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board!*

## This Week

### Sunday, June 19, 2011

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary  
 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary  
 11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room  
 12:00 PM Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall

### Monday, June 20, 2011

No congregational events

### Tuesday, June 21, 2011

6:00 PM Prudential Committee ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Wednesday, June 22, 2011

6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Thursday, June 23, 2011

No congregational events

### Friday, June 24, 2011

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall | Kitchen

### Saturday, June 25, 2011

No congregational events

### Sunday, June 26, 2011

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary  
 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary  
 12:00 PM Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall

**NOTE:** This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit [www.ASCBoston.org](http://www.ASCBoston.org).

\* Denotes closed meetings

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days. In 2011, \$1,250 of the Fund-A-Need money donated to Jubilee is supporting the production of a documentary by Villages program participants.

### “Secure Communities”—Not in Massachusetts!

Arlington Street Church in conjunction with New Sanctuary Movement and a broad group of immigrant rights and community groups worked hard this year to defeat the frightening “Secure Communities” program from being implemented in MA. In response to our activity, Governor Patrick recently announced that his administration would not endorse this federal program aimed at finding and deporting undocumented immigrants. The work continues! We are now actively engaged in opposing hateful budget amendments targeting undocumented people.

### More Support for New Orleans

The New Orleans Style High Tea fundraiser and \$1,250 from Jubilee Fund-A-Need donations helped our volunteers travel to New Orleans in May and purchase and install a drip irrigation system for the Lamanche Community Farm in the Lower 9<sup>th</sup> Ward.

### 2011 Haitian Coalition Trip to Haiti

Jubilee Fund-A-Need donations of \$1,250 and funds raised at the International Gala for Haiti are helping Arlington Street Church to work again with the Haitian Coalition. Our trip to Haiti this summer is two-pronged. First, we will replace the deteriorating tent school in Camp Caradeux with a new 4-classroom school outfitted with amenities that foster learning. Second, a team of medical volunteers will provide assistance to earthquake victims by holding medical and psychological clinics in the camp, while outreaching to other areas. The team will deliver workshops on health education, substance abuse, skills building, and other topics.

### Only A Child

Only A Child is using the \$1,390 it received this year from Jubilee Fund-A-Need to pay for a year of university for Marvin, a youngster in the program. He became an orphan at 8 years of age and became homeless at 10, when his grandmother died. He was a hard core street kid on drugs until he turned his life around after coming to Only A Child. He works full time in the carpentry shop, cares for his 9 year old son with help from George Leger, the founder and director of Only A Child, and goes to university at night. Arlington Street Church's support for many years has helped to make successes like this possible.

### Service Learning Trip to Arizona Borderlands

New Sanctuary Movement is using its Jubilee Fund-A-Need donation of \$908 for expenses related to the church's delegation which will spend one week of learning, witness, service, and reflection in southern Arizona and northern Sonora, Mexico. During the trip, the delegation will work with the interfaith humanitarian-aid organization, Tucson Samaritans; the bi-national border ministry, Frontera de Cristo; and the immersion-education organization, BorderLinks.