

# UNITY OF INNER PEACE NEWSLETTER FOR OCTOBER, 2016

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Dear Friends in Unity,

According to our survey, you love really interesting speakers. With this in mind, do we have one for you!

Nancy Paton, who has been a guest speaker at other Unity Churches and venues in the Detroit Metro area for many years, is traveling all the way to the UP next weekend so that she can not only see our glorious environment, but also that she might share her book and life story with YOU.

*For approximately twenty-five years, dreams have helped Nancy Paton to heal her past and to discover hidden talents and abilities which she did not know that she possessed. She will share her unique and fascinating life story, hoping that you'll be inspired to explore your own untapped creative potential, or to recommit to the creative urges that have already made themselves known.*

*Nancy Paton, M.Ed., has a masters degree in art therapy. She gives workshops on dreams and the signs and symbols that serve to guide and uncover our innate creative and spiritual gifts. Nancy enjoys photography, and is the author of "An Unconventional Life: A Journey Beyond Limitation to Gifts of Creativity."*

So, here is your opportunity to not only hear someone else's unique story, but to be inspired to enrich your own. Nancy's book will be available for purchase and signing after the service.

Enthusiastically,  
Judy

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

Oct. 2

Speaker, Nancy Paton. "An Unconventional Life - Talk and Book Signing"

Oct. 9

CD and Discussion. Adyashanti, in his own voice. Continuing the audio series, Resurrecting Jesus: Embodying the Spirit of a Revolutionary Mystic."

Oct.16

Speaker and discussion leader, Suzie Saari. "The Serenity Prayer."

Oct. 23

CD and Discussion. John O'Donohue, in his own voice. Continuing the audio series, "The Divine Imagination - Wisdom from the Celtic World."

\*\*\*\*\***Board Meeting** following the service\*\*\*\*\*

Oct. 30

Speaker, Richard Leinonen. "Cause & Effect, and the Evolution of Human Consciousness."

\*\*\*\*\***Potluck** following the service\*\*\*\*\*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1) As there continues to be interest about the welfare of Bishop Spong, we can share with you that during the first week in October, Jack is expected to leave the facility near his New Jersey home where he has been receiving care, to return to his own home where therapy will continue. He is making progress. A card has been sent to him on behalf of Unity of Inner Peace containing personal messages from those present at a recent service, and a message representing all, affirming his Highest Good. His wife, Christine thanks everyone for their love and concern.

2) The Board is having a special meeting at the home of Ann Russ and Steve Schmunk on Thursday, October 20th at 6:00 PM to review the congregational survey and discuss further strategies for implementation.

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## **FINANCIALS:**

As Unity of Inner Peace operates entirely on love offerings, we are asking you to love us just a little bit more!!!! Humor aside, we want to impress on all that one of the things that people who attend Unity of Inner Peace love most about it is that it operates as a circle, that is, everyone has equal voice and equal opportunity. However, that also means equal responsibility to keep us alive and thriving. With this in mind, we are going to publish our financial information in the newsletters from now on, so that you can see how we are doing.

Year to date, we have had \$4,996 in expenses, but have received only \$3,264 in income. We do not feel that we are overspending for what we provide, so can only ask that you seriously consider your personal individual financial contributions. Everyone's just a little bit more really adds up to everybody's greater success. Thank you!

As is Unity policy, we do tithe on all contributions.

The 1st quarter. \$122 split between Unity Worldwide and the Women's Center.

The 2nd quarter. \$110 split between Unity Worldwide and the Salvation Army.

The 3rd quarter. \$100 split between Unity Worldwide and the Liberty Children's Art Project.

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## **PRAYER SUPPORT:**

To: Carol Birnbaum, Jim Clumpner, Darlene Herkins, Bob Lamb, Helen Haskell Remien, Mary Soper and Dorit Stilling. - Some of you are able to make it to services, others not, but know that we see The Christ in You and support you in affirming your Highest Good, whatever that may be.

For all of those who desire further prayer support, we recommend that you contact Silent Unity, 1901 NW Blue Parkway, Unity Village, MO. 64065-0001 or call 1-800-NOW PRAY (669-7729). Remember, Silent Unity exists for YOU. Their presence is available 24/7 and their service is offered free, donations welcomed.

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**BIRTHDAYS:** Birthdays are a chance to remember the wonder in the people by whom we are surrounded. Together let us celebrate the wonder in the following people:

Lee Ossenheimer, Oct. 2

Pam Traver, Oct.28

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

We want to bring **continuing attention** to the fact that we have in our midst a "**Celebrant.**" Our Ann Russ is certified by the *Celebrant Foundation and Institute* to officiate at funerals and memorials. Ann was invited by the Unity Board to pursue this course because we felt the need for someone at hand, someone with progressive spiritual ideals and a warm and personal touch to help us meet these growing requests. Ann can be contacted at [annruss23@gmail.com](mailto:annruss23@gmail.com) or (906) [251-1309](tel:251-1309). Ann has also performed marriage ceremonies.

Our meetings/services are held at the clubhouse of the Marquette Federated Women's Clubs at 104 W. Ridge St., Marquette, MI 49855. We begin at 10:00 AM Eastern Time. Please check our website at [unityofinnerpeace.org](http://unityofinnerpeace.org) or visit our Facebook page at [HTTPS://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/](https://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/).

Our Board members are as follows: Judy McGowan, President; Steve Schmunk, Vice President & web master; David McGowan, Treasurer; Ann Russ, Secretary & Facebook page creator. Members at large are Militza Georgevich English, Bob Lamb, Gail Razavi and Bill Waters.

**"Our vision is a healed world."**