

UNITY OF INNER PEACE NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY, 2017

February 2, 2017

Dear Unity - Minded People,

When I go to bed at night, I find it wise to keep pen and paper handy because often as I am falling asleep or am in that hazy state of awakening, I inwardly hear what I perceive as messages, words of wisdom. Of course, in this sleepy state there is the impulse to simply roll over, telling myself that I will remember what I heard when I wake up fully. I don't! Hence the pen and paper.

Recently, amidst all of the turmoil in the country over who is right and who is wrong, I heard the following; "Do all the good you can
To all the people you can
In all the ways you can."

I knew immediately that this was a poem stored in my memory from long ago, so in my haze I wrote that much down. When I got up, I turned on my computer and "Googled" the first line. This is what I found:

**"Do all the good you can.
By all the means you can.
In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can.
To all the people you can.
As long as ever you can.**

(This poem has been popularly attributed to John Wesley, co-founder of the Methodist Church, but has never actually been found in any of his writings.)

Of course the thought occurs to me that people have differing ideas of what is "good," but as I trust myself to, "Do unto others as I would have them do unto me," I find the poem a pretty impressive talisman for these or any circumstances. Do you agree?

All One,
Judy

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

Feb. 5

Speaker, **Helen Haskell Remien. "Gifts from The Camino"**

Here is Helen's description:

Last January, during the snowy days of winter, I began to prepare for a year of gardening. I knew that spring would be a time for planting seeds, literally for me, with a stem cell transplant and a month's stay in a "hoop house" apartment in Rochester, Minnesota, and that summer would be the time to allow this new garden to grow strong and healthy. In the early days of 2016, however, it was autumn I was thinking about. It was

clear to me that I was being called to walk on one of the sacred pilgrim paths to Santiago de Compostila, Spain, that this would be the perfect way to open to the gifts of harvest in this year of gardening. And indeed that's what I did during the month of October; for three weeks, my friend Mary and I traced the northern coast of Portugal and the ancient Roman highways in Spain to Santiago de Compostila and onward to the coast at Muxia and Finisterre. And indeed, the gifts of harvest were many, a cornucopia of treasures that I am still soaking in and savoring, and appreciating as touchstones as I move forward on my pilgrim path into the new adventures of 2017. Though the stories I plan to share with you from the Camino Trek are unique to my particular walk, the gifts are universal and my desire is to lift them up as talismans for us all as we venture forth as pilgrims living our full-out lives, moment to moment.

BOARD MEETING AFTER SERVICE.

Feb. 12

Speaker, **April Lindala**, Director of NMU's Center for Native American Studies. **"A Critical Consciousness in Relation to the Earth and All of Her Beings."**

Feb. 19

Book reading & Discussion: **The Twelve Freedoms** by Unity Minister, Phillip Pierson. Chapter 2: **"How It All Came To Be!"**

Feb. 26

Annual Membership Meeting. This is the time for all of you to **make your voices heard**. We'll discuss what was most beneficial during this past year, and then welcome your ideas for even greater expansion and effectiveness. **POTLUCK WILL FOLLOW.**

PRAYER SUPPORT:

This month we ask for special prayer support for Martha Penn Cablk and her family. On January 23rd, Martha's son Jay, of Ashland, Wisconsin, lost his life in a tragic tree cutting accident. He leaves behind a wife and young son. Martha's words were, "He was a wonderful person, and will continue to do good work from the other side." Jay's obituary was in the Jan. 28th *Mining Journal*, and references [www. Bratleyfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.Bratleyfamilyfuneralhomes.com) for further contact and information. To Martha, we want you to know that your many friends at Unity of Inner Peace celebrate with you your beautiful son and a life well lived. May you and the entire family feel the Presence and Guidance of Divine Love.

We also invite continuing prayer support for other members and friends of Unity - Jim Clumper, Bob Lamb, Dorit Stilling, Carol Birnbaum and Darlene Herkins.

Remember, one of the greatest services Unity has to offer is the support of Silent Unity, which is there to take your calls 24/7. Call 1 (800) NOW PRAY ([1 800 669-7729](tel:18006697729)).

FINANCES:

Unity of Inner Peace is funded entirely by your donations. The money goes for such costs as rent for the Women's Clubhouse, advertising in the Mining Journal, Daily Words, website fees, postage, and all of those wonderful speakers you have encouraged us to invite. In addition, we tithe on all donations. These donations are split between local causes and the upkeep of Unity Worldwide. The local 4th quarter tithe for 2015 went to Janzen House for flood recovery.

We appreciate the generosity of your donations, but feel it is important for you to know that in 2015 our expenditures exceeded our income by \$958. Therefore we encourage you to privately set in your mind and heart a monthly pledge amount, and to honor that heartfelt pledge whether you are able to attend each Sunday or not. In this way you can show your support for and appreciation of Unity of Inner Peace as both a personal asset and an asset to the community. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Of interest, for those of you who may have missed it in *The Mining Journal*, "writer **Mary Wardell** took second place out of 35 entries in the Government/Education News category in the 2016 Michigan Press Association Better Newspaper Contest. Her two-part series called "Policy debate; Students sound off," was described as a "thought-provoking analysis of the repercussions of a university policy." This was in the Daily Class C category for newspapers with circulations from 5,001 to 11,000. Congratulations, Mary !

Greetings to all from our friend Sue Schenk Drobny, wintering in Lake Havasu, Arizona. She tells tales of spiritual study at the local Center for Spiritual Living, plus tales of several volunteer fund-raising activities in which both she and her husband participate. For example, they help at a hot air balloon fest, making life uplifting for many. (pun intended)

BIRTHDAYS: Congratulations to all of that Aquarian & Piscean Power. Long may it serve.

Anthony Kahnke, Feb. 2
Cindy Brown, Feb. 12
Colleen O'Hara, Feb. 13
Steve Schmunk, Feb. 16
Martha Fotopulos, Feb. 20
Judy McGowan, Feb. 29

GENERAL INFORMATION:

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 or visit our Facebook page at [HTTPS://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/](https://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/) for further information.

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

"Our vision is a healed world."