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West Shore
Unitarian Universalist
Church

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Sun., Nov. 7.
DAYLIGHT SAVING
TIME ENDS!
- Sun., Nov. 7, 5 pm
Get-together for
Coming of Age youth
and their mentors.
- Sat., Nov. 13, 7 pm
Youth Group over-
night at West Shore
- Sun., Nov. 21
9:30 & 11:15
Intergenerational
Worship Service;
childcare for infants
to age 4
- Sun., Nov. 28
9:30 & 11:15
Advent Workshop
for K-6; childcare for
infants to 4 years old

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Holiday Activities at West Shore

Advent Workshop, Sunday, November 28, at 9:30 and 11:15. Children will gather for a Children's Chapel story and song and an offering will be taken. No Sunday School classes will be held that day. Our Advent Workshop activities include making holiday cards for West Shore members who can't attend church and decorating cookies for that morning's coffee hour. Childcare will be provided for infants to 4 year olds. High school and middle school are welcome to help with the workshop activities.

Guest at Your Table (GAYT). The Unitarian Universalist Service committee's annual fund drive to address both national and international emergency relief will kick off on **Sunday, November 21**, with a "noisy" (coins) collection. GAYT efforts, including collection boxes and a Rotunda water display for coin tossing, will continue through Christmas.

The Giving Tree ...will be up in the Rotunda on November 21 decorated with ornaments designed by member **Roxanne Janilla**. Each ornament includes a requested item for women and children living in Cleveland-

area shelters helped by the Cleveland Domestic Violence Center and for greater Cleveland Latino families who are affected by HIV/AIDS and systemic poverty helped by Nueva Luz Urban Resource Center's outreach program. Gifts should be placed under the tree (no gift wrap, please) by **Sunday, December 12**, to enable the centers to organize the gifts and for moms in shelters to have time to select and wrap the gifts for their children. Items brought after that date will be used by the centers for birthday gifts during the year. Please stop by the tree, and see what you might give this Christmas.

Junior Choir News

Twenty-six choir members visited and sang with their peers at the UU Akron Church, Sunday, October 17. Many thanks to Joe Schafer for his organizational and musical talents!

On **Sunday, November 21**, the intergenerational choir, composed of Junior Choir

and adult members, will present "Gaudeamus Hodi" at our Intergenerational service. Parents are warmly invited to join the choir practices on November 7, 14 and 21 and to sing this easy song with the group at the November 21 services

Junior Choir will offer the

congregation a collection of varied holiday carols between services on **Sunday, December 12**.

Junior Choir practices from 10:40-11:15 a.m. in the Chapel each Sunday. All children in grades 1 to 8, plus high school youth are invited and encouraged to join.

New Chalice Lighters

We congratulate Kit Han-num, Ara Starr and Jack Wynn, our new Chalice Lighters who will join the ten other children currently serving the church on Sunday

mornings. Chalice Lighters meet twice with the ministers, learn to light the sanctuary chalice and, with their parents, complete a notebook about the history and

significance of the UU chalice and our association's seven principles. Photos of our Chalice Lighters are posted in the sanctuary vestibule.

Our Annual Church Fire Drill Was Fast & Safe!

All children, youth and adults, both sessions, exited the building with speed and safety, **Sunday, October 10**, in less than 2½ minutes A

gentle reminder to parents; In keeping with an actual emergency exit procedure, we do not return to the building. Please meet your children be-

hind the church (south side) after the drill. Thanks to all for being proactive about safety.

Our Youth Group Activities



West Shore's youth are putting their heads together and coming up with exciting plans!

October was a busy month for youth. Football, soccer, marching band, competitions and school work had our youth hopping almost every day of the week, but thankfully they were able to find time to join their friends at West Shore church for a few events. We had some in-church youth group gatherings on Sunday nights that I hope people enjoyed and ended with a blast of laser beams and pizza (not at the same time, thankfully) with our friends at Rocky River United Methodist Church. I know the laser tag event was quick but we will have more chances to get to know the Rocky River

UMC youth as we get closer to Homeless on Hilliard in early 2011.

But enough about the past! November has one main event scheduled so far with the Youth Group. You asked for an overnight on Saturday, November 13th and you got it! We have Baker Hall from 6 pm to 11 pm and the Sanctuary after that until the next morning. Food, games, hanging out to follow. If all goes well, Alex may have a surprise activity involving his talents in the world of special effects...but more on that later!

This event is open to Youth Group members (9th-12th

grade) and guests (also of High School age). If you bring a guest, a permission slip with contact information, signature of parent, and so on is needed. As this event is in-church, regular youth group members won't need permission slips. The cost for the night is \$5 to contribute towards food for dinner at 6 pm on Saturday and breakfast at 8 am on Sunday, November 14th. Any questions, please call me at 216-228-3230 or send email to pflorian@wsuuc.org. See you all soon!

Phil Florian

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Second Annual Great American Bake Sale: Help to End World Hunger

Maya Wanner and Samantha Horwitz, two WSUUC youth, will again be a sponsor for the Food Network's Great American Bake Sale. On **Sunday, November 21**, please visit their "bakery" in the

church rotunda after each service/Sunday School and make a cash donation for your purchase. All money will be used to help address world hunger, especially as it affects children. The youth also welcome any

baked goods you would like to contribute. Your support for these youth, their cause, and their initiative for social action is much appreciated!

R.E. Calendar

Tues., Nov. 2	7:00 pm R.E. Committee
Sun., Nov. 7	9:30 & 11:15 Sunday School DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS!
	10:40 am Jr. Choir
	4:00 pm OWL grades K-1
	5:00 pm Coming of Age Youth & Mentors

Sat., Nov. 13	7:00 pm Youth Overnight at WSUUC
Sun., Nov. 14	9:30 & 11:15 Sunday School
	10:40 am Jr. Choir
	4:00 pm OWL grades K-1
Sun., Nov. 21	9:30 & 11:15 Intergenerational Service: Child-care for infants

	to PreK. Jr. Choir sings "Gaudeamus Hodi"
	10:10 Jr. Choir
	4:00 pm OWL grades K-1
Sun., Nov. 28	9:30 & 11:15 Childen's Chapel and Advent workshop for K-6 <i>Please send a few coins with your child for the offering</i>

