

Minutes
and
By Laws

OF

A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF
THE STATE OF NEW YORK

LAW OFFICES
OF

BY-LAWS
of the
UPPER DELAWARE
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this religious society shall be the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

- The purpose of this fellowship is to affirm and promote:
- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
 - Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
 - Acceptance of one another and encouragement to individual growth in our congregation;
 - A free and responsible search for truth, meaning and self-enlightenment;
 - The right to conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregation and in society at large;
 - The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all; and
 - Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are all a part.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any person may become a voting member of this fellowship who is in sympathy with its purpose and program, has signed the fellowship membership book, and makes an annual contribution of record.

Membership is open to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, age, handicap, or national origin.

ARTICLE IV - DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION

This fellowship shall be a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association, and of the Metropolitan New York District. It is the intention of the fellowship to make annual financial contributions equal to its full share as determined by the Association and the District.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

The dates of regular nonbusiness meetings of the congregation shall be determined by the congregation itself, or by any person or persons designated.

The annual business meeting shall be held each year in the month of June at such time and place as determined by the executive committee. A quorum, consisting of one fifth of the membership, shall be necessary to conduct business. Notice of this meeting, together with the proposed annual budget, will be sent to all members at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At each annual meeting an Executive Committee shall be elected after nominations have been received from the membership.

Officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer - all of whom shall hold office for one year and until successors have been elected and qualified for office.

Three members-at-large shall serve three-year terms of office, with one position elected each year. No member-at-large may serve more than one consecutive three-year term.

The president shall chair business meetings, moderate meetings as the need arises, and serve as a spokesperson for the fellowship.

The vice-president shall serve in the absence of the President or the Treasurer.

The secretary shall keep minutes of all business meetings, and oversee the handling of correspondence and press releases.

The treasurer shall be responsible for collecting, recording and disbursing the fellowship's finances.

Together, these officers and members-at-large shall constitute the Executive Committee, which shall have general charge of the property of the fellowship and the conduct of all business affairs and the control of its administration, including the appointment of such committees as it may deem necessary. It shall fill vacancies with persons who shall serve until the next annual meeting.

The current expenses of the fellowship shall be based on an annual budget, prepared at the direction of the Executive Committee and approved by the membership at the annual meeting.

The Executive Committee shall meet regularly, as often as it determines necessary, but at least once a month. A quorum shall consist of one more than half of its present members. All meetings shall be open to the congregation for attendance and participation.

ARTICLE VII - PROFESSIONAL STAFF

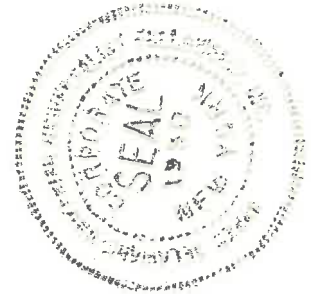
Whenever a majority of members think it desirable, the fellowship may employ a minister or other professional staff person, either part or full-time. Job descriptions for each position shall be attached to these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall end on June 30.

ARTICLE IX - SEAL

The seal of the corporation shall be as follows:



ARTICLE X - CONSTRUCTION

If there be any conflict between the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation and these By-Laws, the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation shall govern.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended or replaced at any meeting of the fellowship by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting. Notice of any proposed change shall be contained in a meeting notice, which shall be distributed to members two weeks before the meeting.

ARTICLE XII - DISSOLUTION

Should this fellowship cease to function and the membership vote disband, and remaining assets of the fellowship will be transferred to the Unitarian Universalist Association for its general purposes.

Dated: April 29, 1990

JOB DESCRIPTION

Part Time Minister

The part time minister of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship shall do the following:

- Attend as many meetings of the fellowship and any committees as he or she is able, at his or her convenience.

- Speak regularly at one Sunday service per month, and at any other occasions which he or she may be requested to do so by the Executive Committee. The minister shall have freedom of the pulpit, as well as freedom to express his or her opinion outside the pulpit.

- Make available the use of his or her name for presentation to the public as "minister" of the fellowship.

- Offer his or her services to members of the fellowship and others who may so desire, for the dedication of children, weddings, or memorial services.

- Provide support, guidance and counseling to individual members when it is desired, and to the Executive Committee in administering the functions of the fellowship.

- Attend and participate in meetings of the Executive Committee whenever present, and of such other committees as the Executive Committee shall designate. The minister shall have one vote.

- Such other functions and tasks as may from time to time be agreed upon by vote of the Executive Committee and the minister.

Dated: April 29, 1990

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN/UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP MINUTES - ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: June 18, 1995

IN ATTENDANCE: Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, John Prichard, Barbara Lutz, Joe Walker, Gil Mende, Jerry Eno, Laurel Mason, David Mason, Ann Rue.

MINUTES: The minutes of the annual meeting from June 1994 were read by Barbara Lutz. The minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A summary of the year's income and expenses was presented by the treasurer, Ann Rue. Expenditures and income were both less than projected for the year and the operating fund currently is carrying a balance of \$3,667.57. The itemized report is attached.

1995-96 PROPOSED BUDGET: Ray Pontier lead a discussion regarding the proposed budget using the 1994-95 budget and the actual expenses for the 1994-95 fiscal year as a frame of reference.

CHANGES TO THE BUDGET:

It was suggested by Ann Rue that R.E./Childcare be provided in her residence and thus eliminate the cost of utilities for the R.E. program.

RESOLVED: It was moved by Joe Walker, seconded by Barbara Lutz, that the line items of R.E. Director, R. E. Materials, and Childcare be combined under the heading of Religious Education with an allocation of \$500. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLVED: It was moved by Joe Walker and seconded by Jerry Eno that our membership list be reviewed before submission to UUA, inasmuch as the membership number submitted is the basis of our "fair share" assessment. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLVED: It was moved by Laurel Mason and seconded by Jerry Eno to include a line item in the budget for emergency relief to be available to families in crisis within our local communities. The motion was tabled for consideration at such time as Social Action concerns are reviewed.

RESOLVED: It was moved by Laurel Mason and seconded by Joe Walker to accept the budget as modified. The motion passed unanimously. The itemized budget in it's final form is attached.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Ann Rue presented for the Nominating Committee the following slate of officers:

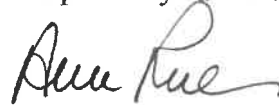
President: Joe Walker
Vice President: Jesse Ballew
Secretary: Sharon Paige-Lissenbee
Treasurer: Ann Rue
Board Member (3 yr. term): Laurel Mason

RESOLVED: It was moved by Gil Mende and seconded by Laurel Mason to accept the slate of officers as recommended. The motion passed unanimously. Ray Pontier issued a warm welcome to the new officers and Board member and a special thank-you to Barbara Pontier for her contributions to the Fellowship while serving as President for the past three years.

Ray Pontier suggested that special meetings be planned in the immediate future to discuss Social Action concerns and ways to renew the vitality of the Fellowship.

The meeting was adjourned by Barbara Pontier.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Rue
Acting Secretary

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

JULY 2, 1995 MINUTES

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There was discussion about Laurel Mason's proposal to set aside money for an Emergency Fund, to be used in the event of unusual and difficult circumstances coming to the attention of the Fellowship. Although there was a general feeling that this was a good idea, it was suggested that this be brought up at a general meeting.

All of the above actions taken by the Board of Trustees are to be brought before the membership for approval and ratification.



Raymond J. Pontier

Unofficial Sec'y Pro-tem

Board of Trustee members present at above meeting:

Joe Walker, President, Jesse Ballew, Ann Rue,
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 ANNUAL DIRECTORY QUESTIONNAIRE FOR 1994 UUA DIRECTORY

CONGREGATION INFORMATION

Review information under "PRESENT INFORMATION" for completeness and accuracy. If INCORRECT, then make the corrections to the right under the heading "MAKE CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS/CHANGES BELOW."

PRESENT INFORMATION	MAKE CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS/CHANGES BELOW
1. CONGREGATION ID NUMBER: 7316 2. CONGREGATION NAME AND MEETING ADDRESS: Upper Delaware U. U. Fellowship Innisfree (River Road) Milanville, PA 18443	
3. MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE): P.O. Box 123 Milanville, PA 18443-0123	
4. TELEPHONE NUMBERS: (914)252-7553 Consulting Min. (717)729-7197 Meeting Hall	
5. TAX ID NUMBER: 232476279	

VOTING MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION (FOR DIRECTORY USE ONLY)

(Federated churches please count Unitarian Universalists only.)

For this section, please fill in ALL the blanks. If the figure is the same as last year, please REWRITE last year's figure. If the figure is ZERO, write 0. Thank you.

6.(A) MEMBERS AS OF LAST YEAR	15	7.(A) ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLAND	0
(B) MEMBERS ADDED SINCE LAST YEAR	3	(B) AFRICAN AMERICAN	1
(C) MEMBERS REMOVED SINCE LAST YEAR	2	(C) HISPANIC	1
(D) NET INCREASE/DECREASE (B+/-C)	1	(D) NATIVE AMERICAN	0
(E) MEMBERSHIP AS OF MAY 1 (A+/-D)	16	(E) OTHER:	0
8. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ENROLLMENT (Elementary - High School)	LAST YEAR 0	THIS YEAR 6	
9. NUMBER OF FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTING UNITS	12	10	
10. AVERAGE SUNDAY MORNING ATTENDANCE AT YOUR WORSHIP SERVICES THIS PAST YEAR			15
11. TIME OF SERVICE: We can only print one regular & one summer time; for more complex schedules, check "CALL FOR TIME OF SERVICE."	PRESENT INFO: R: 11:00 A S: 11:00 A REGULAR: 11:00 AM SUMMER: 11:00 AM CALL FOR TIME OF SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/>		

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Use actual Income and Expenses for past fiscal year, not a copy of your budget.
Please round all figures to the nearest dollar.

12. INCOME		13. EXPENSES	
(A) PLEDGE INCOME	3,785.00	(A) STAFF	365.00
(B) ENDOWMENT INCOME		(B) BUILDING/GROUNDS	688.00
(C) CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BUILDING USE		(C) PROGRAM	200.00
(D) OTHER SOURCES		(D) DISTRICT DUES	50.00
(E) TOTAL INCOME	3,785.00	(E) SOCIAL ACTION BUDGET	267.00
		(F) OTHER EXPENSES	1,570.00
		(G) TOTAL EXPENSES	3,065.00
		(H) PREVIOUS TOTAL EXPENSES	2,196

DO YOU HAVE A:

14. RECOGNIZED PROGRAM OF MUTUAL MINISTRY THAT INCLUDES LAYPEOPLE? Yes No
15. ACTIVE YOUNG ADULT GROUP? Yes No If so, how many are involved? _____
16. IS YOUR R.E. DIRECTOR A PAID MEMBER OF THE CHURCH STAFF? Yes No

CONGREGATION OFFICIALS INFORMATION

PRESENT INFORMATION	MAKE CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS/CHANGES BELOW
17. PRESIDENT/CHAIR: 159408 Mr. Thomas S. Rue P.O. Box 706 Monticello NY 12701-0706	BARBARA E. PONTIER 2797 ROUTE 97 NARROWSBURG, NY 12764
18. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR: 160756 Mr. Glenn Pontier RD 1, Box 158 Narrowsburg NY 12764	Colette Ballew RD. 1, Box 284 Damascus, PA 18415
19. CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: NAME: ADDRESS:	
20. DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: NAME: ADDRESS:	

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PRESENT INFORMATION	MAKE CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS/CHANGES BELOW
<p>21. TREASURER: 167357 Mrs. Carmen Hernandez Rue P.O. Box 706 Monticello NY 12701-0706</p>	<p><i>Ann Rue PO Box 123 Milanville, PA 18443</i></p>
<p>22. SOCIAL ACTION CHAIR: 159408 Mr. Thomas S. Rue P.O. Box 706 Monticello NY 12701-0706</p>	<p><i>Rev Raymond J Pontier 2797 Route 97 Narrowsburg, NY 12764</i></p>
<p>23. LESBIAN/GAY CONTACT: 159408 Mr. Thomas S. Rue P.O. Box 706 Monticello NY 12701-0706</p>	
<p>24. AGING CONTACT: 25701 The Rev. Raymond J. Pontier 2797 Route 97 Narrowsburg NY 12764</p>	
<p>25. YOUTH CONTACT: 167358 Ms. Erin Howard 1114 Court St. Honesdale PA 18431</p>	<p><i>Glenn Pontier RD 2, Box 363 Narrowsburg, NY 12764</i></p>
<p>26. BLACK/RACIAL-CONCERNS CONTACT: 159408 Mr. Thomas S. Rue P.O. Box 706 Monticello NY 12701-0706</p>	<p><i>Gil Mende PO Box 40 Milanville, PA 18443</i></p>
<p>27. WOMEN-AND-RELIGION CONTACT: 178340 Mrs. Jill Koepke 307 Golden Hill Rd. Honesdale PA 18431</p>	<p><i>Eve Murphy 125 Sugar Street Honesdale, PA 18431</i></p>
<p>28. MEMBERSHIP/GROWTH COMMITTEE CHAIR: 160757 Mr. John D. Rue C/O Anne & Clyde 2097 Muliner Ave Bronx NY 10462</p>	<p><i>Loran Shlevin PO Box 77 Cochection, PA 12726</i></p>

After a complete review of this QUESTIONNAIRE, make a copy for your files and return the ORIGINAL to us no later than June 25, 1993. The information requested on this QUESTIONNAIRE is for the official records of the UUA and for planning our programs and services. Our sincere thanks for your cooperation.

Questionnaire answered by: Raymond J. Pontier

Date: 6/5/93

Phone number during business hours: 914-252-7553

MINISTRY INFORMATION

CONGREGATION ID NUMBER: 7316
Upper Delaware U. U. Fellowship

Milanville

PA

PRESENT INFORMATION	MAKE CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS/CHANGES BELOW
29. MINISTERS: NAME: <u>Rev. Raymond J. Pontier</u> ID & POSITION: <u>25701 Consulting Minister</u> NAME: ID & POSITION: NAME: ID & POSITION: NAME: ID & POSITION:	
30. MINISTERS EMERITI NAME: ID: NAME: ID:	
31. CHAPLAINS (CANADIAN CONGREGATIONS ONLY) NAME: ID: NAME: ID:	

The Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Minutes of the March 20th Meeting

Present: Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, John Rue, Sharon Lisenbee,
Tom Lisenbee, Colette Ballew, Jesse Ballew, Marjeana Howard,
Ann Rue

Barbara Pontier gave the treasurers report of \$3,188.63 for the end of January 1994. Social Action \$679.60 - Bud Rue Fund.

Ray - Spoke about changing the UDUUF affiliation from Joseph Priestly District to Harold Lynde district in Manhattan - Metro NY district. This makes sense because their meetings are geographically more accessible to our members, making it easier for us to participate in the Metro District Meetings. Ray read Harold Lynde letter stating what to change districts. We must write Metro board president with our request to be an affiliate. We must also write Joseph Priestly, stating the UU Board of Trustees' request to be part of Metro Board and asking for a change of district letter. There is no financial cost other than paying dues to Metro. A New York mailing address was suggested in order to avoid confusion. Ray called a motion as to whether we should change. Tom Lisenbee second. Barbara called for a vote. All were in favor. Ray will write the letters.

Rent and heating costs for the room used for Religious Education was discussed. John Rue made a motion on whether we should pay for rent and heat. Marjeana Howard second. A vote was taken. All in favor. The information about heating will be decided by Barbara and Ann Rue.

Colette - brought up religious education grants, and read application requirements for grants. Colette stated she would like to go to RE camp, but cost is \$400.00 per person. There was no further discussion.

John Rue - gave Social Action Committee report. All the money would be given to the organizations we committed to. The question of how long we should be committed was raised. A suggestion of a fiscal year commitment was made. This could be decided at June general meeting, or around that time.

Ray - recommendation national
John Rue - said he would come in with recommendations.

There was a discussion about programs to be filled for April. Jesse Ballew said he would find out about Amnesty International filling an April slot. Barbara said she could use hers from the last Sunday in March. John suggested his reading from "Inherit the Wind." Have meeting 2nd Sunday, April to plan for next 3 months. Colette said she would like to include children in planning. It was suggested that we could use Sunday as a planning meeting as a part of the Sunday program and discussion.

Ann Rue presented a typed treasury report for February 1994 (attached).

Ray called for adjournment of meeting. All in favor.

Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Box 123
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PRESS RELEASE

CONTACT: Barbara Pontier
(914) 252-7553

LOCAL CHARITIES BENEFIT FROM BUD RUE MEMORIAL FUND

On Sunday, December 5th, Ann Rue, Treasurer of the Upper Delaware Unitarian/Universalist Fellowship presented checks totalling \$3,200 to local organizations working for social justice in the Upper Delaware Valley. The gifts were made possible by an October 1993 "Walk for Social Justice" organized and led by Bud Rue, and contributions to the "Bud Rue Memorial Fund" created after his untimely death during the march. The presentation took place after the regular UU Sunday service at Innisfree, in Milanville, PA.

Pictured at the award ceremony are (l to r) Ray Pontier, receiving \$800 for the Unitarian/Universalist United Nations Office; Glenn Pontier, Chairman, March for Social Justice; Dale Rosenberg, receiving \$800 for Wayne County Habitat for Humanity; Barbara Pontier, President of the UU Fellowship; Ann Rue; Carolyn Hubers, receiving \$800 for the Interfaith Outreach United of Sullivan County; and Kathy Campion, receiving \$800 for the Wayne County Victims Intervention Program.

MINUTES OF
THE SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE
UPPER DELAWARE U.U. FELLOWSHIP

A meeting of the Social Action Committee of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship was held at Innisfree on Sunday, December 5, 1993, at one o'clock in the afternoon. The following persons were present: MarJeana Howard, Gil Mende, Barbara Pontier, Glenn Pontier, Raymond Pontier, Laurie Stuart, Carmen Rue, John Rue, Tom Rue. Kathy Campion, executive director of the Wayne County Victim Intervention Program was also present as a guest.

The meeting was chaired by John Rue. Tom Rue was acting secretary.

John reported that he received a phone call this morning from Liz Huntington. Liz said she is unable to co-chair the Committee, John said, but she will be available to assist as a member.

John described steps which have been taken by Christopher Sanderson and others in production of a jazz rendition of "How the Grinch Stole Xmas" next Sunday at the Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg. Rent for the theater is \$50, John said, which is half the rate DVAA normally charges. The only other expense which has been incurred consist of six dollars for photocopying, he noted. By unanimous consent, it was agreed to spend \$28.90 for a 10" display ad (at an "employee rate" of 1/3 off, according to Laurie) in The River Reporter.

Barbara Pontier reported that \$3,200 had been divided equally among the four groups: VIP, Wayne County Habitat for Humanity, IOU, and the UU United Nations Office.

MOTION by Gil Mende that the question of the four charities being chosen on a calendar year designation be considered by the Board and the Fellowship on December 19.

SECOND by Carmen Rue.

WITHDRAWN by Gil, with Carmen's consent.

With respect to the subject of the "Grinch" production, Ray Pontier stated his sentiment that any future fund-raising activities be approved the Fellowship in advance of taking any action. John said he agreed, but said he felt under pressure of time in order to organize this particular event. Ray said he had no objection to this play, but feared it might set a bad precedent for others to represent the Fellowship without authorization in the future.

MOTION by Gil Mende to give Committee endorsement to recent activities with respect to organizing a play at the Tusten Theatre, and to direct that the same shall be sought from the Board and Fellowship at its next meeting for their endorsement.

SECOND by Carmen Rue.

CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION by Carmen Rue to place any monies raised in the play in a savings account and be distributed to appropriate charities next fall after another walk-a-thon.

FAILED due to lack of a second.

MOTION by Ray Pontier to discuss Fellowship fund-raising at a meeting in 1994 to be called by the President.

SECOND by Glenn Pontier.

CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION by Glenn Pontier to meet again as a Committee during the month of February at a date to be set by John Rue.

SECOND by MarJeana Howard.

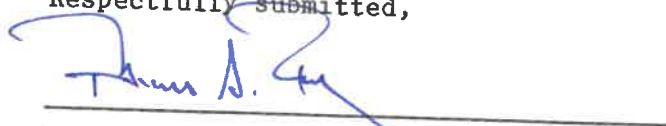
CARRIED unanimously.

John stated the next meeting of the Social Action Committee will be held on the first Sunday in February, following the service.

A letter from Gil Mende, dated December 3, 1993, addressed to John Rue and Liz Huntington, was received but not read. John said he would read it at the next meeting. A copy of the letter is attached hereto.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


THOMAS S. RUE, Acting Secretary

Dated: December 5, 1993

Milanville, Pennsylvania

DECEMBER 3, 1993

TO: SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS JOHN RUE & LIZ HUNTINGTON
FROM: GIL MENDE

I had mentioned that I would attempt to get some thoughts on paper, before my departure, regarding the committee. These ideas may have already have come to you, but here they are.

An initial step might be to meet with or telephone a key person in our current-year outreach groups for the purpose of setting up a regular two-way flow of communication. My years of experience in an embarassingly large number of fields has consistently shown me that almost all problems that plague effectiveness, mutual understanding, accomplishment of goals, efficiency in use of personnel and materials, good organization and numerous other desirable ends arise from poor or absent COMMUNICATION.

In that initial contact, I would probe for present and predicted needs in the way of people, services and tangibles. For example, IOU may have a need for blankets on an ongoing basis, kitchenware and furniture only when people are burnt out or change from a homeless situation to having their own quarters, or occasional need for someone to do some bookkeeping, recreation work with the children of homeless parents, etc.

One outreach concept that I would personally love to see occur would be for the fellowship to beat the bushes for other organizations to take over, on a permanent or at least very-long-term basis, a commitment to the organizations we are helping support during the current year. That would enable us to become involved in other worthwhile organizations in future years, working toward that same end (finding long-term sponsors).

As to future fund-raising efforts, I have had a couple of thoughts thereon, too. The fellowship had a fantastic success in the amount raised this year, but I certainly hope we don't in the future have the tragedy that accounted for some of that success. Nevertheless, if we find we can raise at least \$1200 every year for outreach during the coming two years, I hope we will decide to

select a couple of extra organizations for our yearly giving (maybe six).

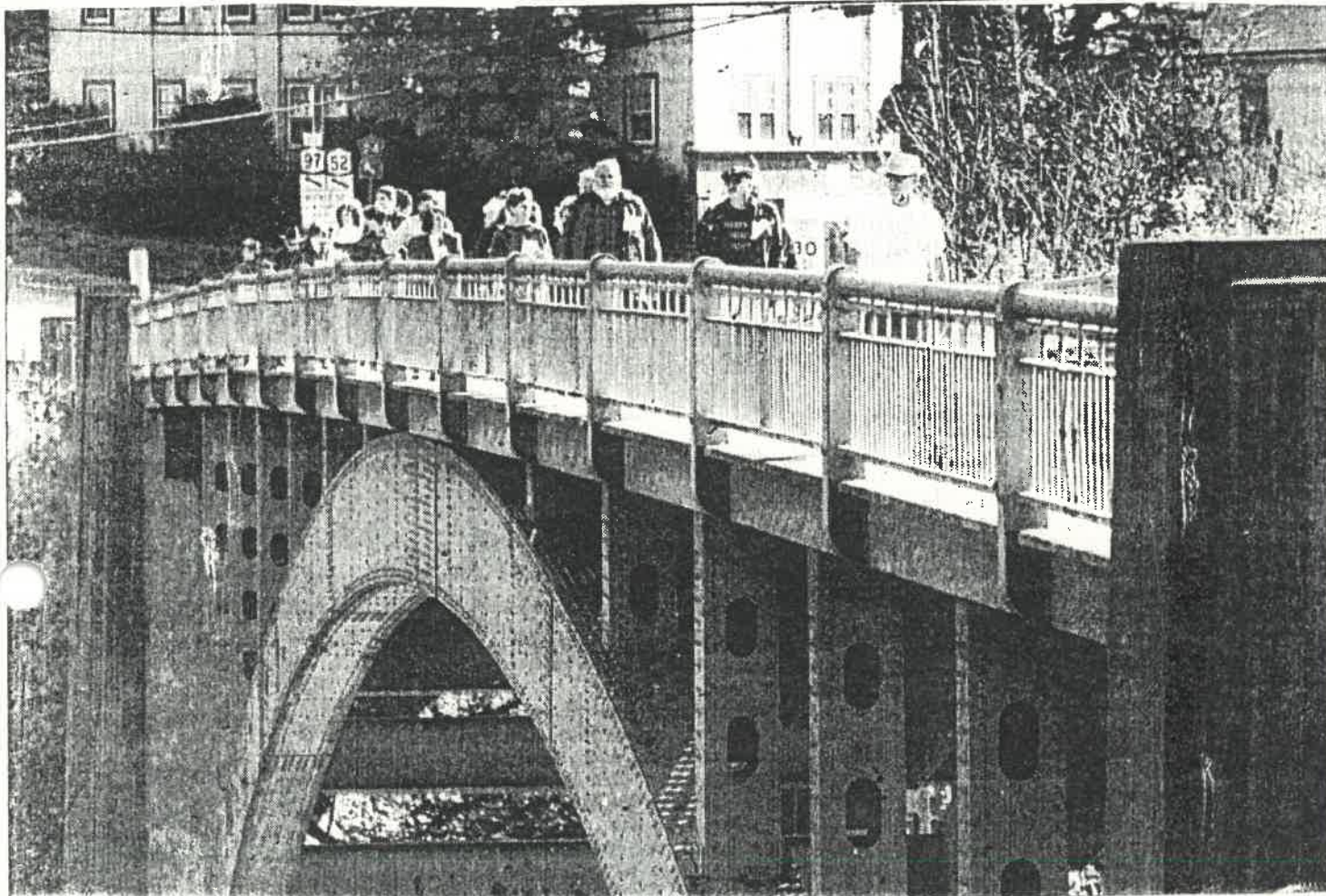
As to possible fund-raising activities (I hope we won't get into the habit of calling them "fundraisers," which is properly the term for people, not events), I have already mentioned putting on a play; a murder-mystery-solving evening, with refreshments also for sale, might stimulate some interest in the larger Wayne-Sullivan area. The group that discussed the outreach this year also seemed to have accepted putting on a dinner. And, of course, there has been an almost assumed decision that there will be an annual walkathon. I personally have trouble with that: the idea of a walkathon every year. I'm afraid it would not generate sufficient interest EVERY year, maybe every third year.

Obviously, I haven't been able to put much thought to fund-raising ideas per se; but I will try to come up with some inspired thoughts over the next six months and send them on to you.

Walkathon organizer dies helping forgotten people

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FRANCIS SPECKER/The Record

Walkers cross the bridge from Narrowsburg to Milanville, Pa., during a 10-kilometer walkathon to raise funds for human service organizations in Sullivan County and Wayne County, Pa., yesterday.

Organizer dies on walkathon

By LISA JOHSON
 Staff Writer

NARROWSBURG — Clyde "Bud" Rue walked his last steps in the name of society's forgotten people.

Rue, 59, died yesterday after marching briefly in the "Walk for Social Justice," a 10-kilometer walkathon he and other members of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship organized to raise funds for human service organizations in



workers were called to the scene and Rue reportedly died on the way to Wayne Memorial Hospital.

"He was so anxious to do that walk," Ann Rue said. Mrs. Rue said she tried to talk her husband out of walking fearing it would be too strenuous. "But he would not be dissuaded."

The \$1,000 raised by the walk will benefit the Victims Intervention Program of Honesdale, an agency that helps battered and abused women; Habitat for Humanity of Wayne County; Interfaith Outreach United of Callicoon and the Unitarian Universalist United Nations Office.

"The common denominator was my father," said Tom Rue of Monticello. Tom

she said.

Yesterday's walkathon began with Rue leading the way from the Cochecton Library in Narrowsburg toward Innisfree. Innisfree, Tom Rue explained, was an educational summer camp for teens that his parents opened in 1970. The couple moved to Innisfree four years ago when Clyde Rue retired from teaching mathematics in New Jersey.

The cause of Rue's death could not be determined last night, though friends said Rue had asthma and had recently undergone two operations.

Rue was a founding member of Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship; a board member of The River School

editorial



Crossing the river

A week ago the death of my father was reported in the pages of this newspaper. "He died walking for social justice," commented the editor. Bud Rue crossed the Upper Delaware River for the last time doing something he loved, for the good of the local community.

Since October 24, the tremendous outpouring of community support has been of great comfort to the family. On the 30th over 200 friends and relatives — many more than expected — packed a small Milanville church to overflowing, in celebration of the joyous aspects of Bud's life.

Over \$2000 has come in thus far from the "Walk for Social Justice," including memorial contributions, all of which will benefit the causes for which Bud gave his life. The initial target was a mere \$400. Plans have been made to hold similar charity events in Bud's memory on an annual basis.

Part way into the walk-a-thon, which he had organized, my father's breath and then his heart gave out. I can guess what some of his final thoughts were as he walked down the River Rd. toward Milanville. No doubt he admired the pastel leaves as he talked with friends in the brilliant autumn light. Those with him describe his mood as cheerful in anticipation of the walk ahead. He told me many times the peak of the fall foliage season was his favorite time of year.

It has not been unusual, for years, to hear my father strain for breath after even moderate physical stress. But he believed he could make this trip with no problem. When my wife, Carmen, questioned the wisdom of walking, Dad handed her a cartoon bearing the exhortation, "Don't ever give up."

Among my first thoughts, upon learning of the shock-

ing loss, was to wish Carmen and I had walked with him. Although we intended to participate, after helping plan the event, car trouble demanded we drop out at the last minute. But on further reflection, I realize he walked with many friends and was not alone.

Future organizers will learn from the absence of an ambulance or EMT on this event. It's not that precautions weren't taken. A sweep car followed behind to pick up walkers who grew tired. The driver called an ambulance, but Dad died in the car in the company of two deaf friends, possibly after overmedicating himself with Ventolin asthma spray. Another lesson.

It is sadly ironic that in planning meetings it was my father who expressed concern about possible injuries sustained on the walk. He consulted an insurance agent about coverage but decided the premium would consume too much of the proceeds. So Dad made sure all the walkers, including himself, signed liability waivers certifying they had "full knowledge of the risks involved and... [were] physically able to participate in this activity."

Next year, we'll ask a local ambulance squad to share in the proceeds and provide support services along the route.

We celebrate existence on this mortal plane for the time allotted each of us. When my father's time ran out, he crossed to the summerland with admirable grace.

There are many things which have been, and which could be, said about Bud Rue and his works. Numerous epitaphs could be written. He gave his life to causes that too often do not rank high on political agendas. He was a generous, energetic man who lived life with passion and fullness, and leaves behind him a great emptiness that can only be understood by someone who has lost a loved one to death. This is part of being human.

At 59, he died younger than most of us would hope to. But he finished his walk through life with honor. He left our river valley, and the world, a better place than he found it.

So may it be for us all.

Tom Rue, contributing editor

Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Annual Meeting, Sunday, June 6, 1993

Meeting was called to order at approximately 11:00am

Present were: Barbara Pontier, Ray Pontier, Glen Pontier, Laurie Stuart, Sharon Paige, Tom Rue, Carmen Rue, Bud Rue, Anne Rue, Marjeana Howard, John Rue, Jesse Ballew, Colette Ballew, Loran Shlevin, Gil Mende

Treasurer's Report was given by Bud Rue. \$1,000.00 balance in the checking account due to not paying for Religious Ed. Program. Other details see attached. Ray Pontier made motion that report be accepted as submitted, seconded by Marjeana Howard, unanimously accepted.

Old Business :

River School- No news as deadline approaches. They have not acted upon Articles of Agreement. Fellowship not concerned as of yet as River School had full schedule of problems with the resignation of Jean Kammer, the head teacher.

Annual Brunch will be August 1st, location to be announced. Group leaning towards the Beach Lake Hotel again.

Nominating Committee presented their slate as follows:

Barbara Pontier - President Loran Shlevin - V. President
Anne Rue - Treasurer Marjeana Howard - Member at Large
Bob Brewer - Member at Large Secretary - Sharon Paige

Motion was made to accept nominations by Bud Rue and seconded by Jesse Ballew. Discussion ensued over position of secretary but the details were to be worked out by the fellowship as Sharon Paige accepted to transcribe notes taken if she were not present. Vote was unanimous.

Fiscal Budget Proposal : See attached

Fellowship was in the black grace of Anne Rue and Loran Shlevin having done the R.E. Program without compensation.

Joseph Priestley District assesses an annual fee of \$7.00 per member. Which equals \$7.00 x 17 members listed = \$119.00. Fellowship made offer of \$50.00 to annual fee.

Discussion on whether Fellowship can continue on current pledges as commitment is not there within membership.

Bud Rue made suggestion that Fellowship give 10% of money raised to an outreach program. Gil Mende offered his services to help contact individuals on raising their commitment so that the suggestion could become a reality.

Glenn Pontier made a motion that a line item be added to the proposed budget for a special fund raising project to raise

\$400.00 to give to an outreach program. Also to add line item for Social Concerns of \$400.00. It was seconded by Gil Mende.

Ray Pontier suggested a committee be formed to discuss what causes to dedicate to our \$400.00 raised. Discussion ensued all around and Laurie Stuart added, back to the facts: Do we want two line items added, one for Fund raising project and one for Social Concerns. Vote was unanimous, yes.

President appointed a committee to discuss disbursements of funds and how to raise them: Glenn Pontier - Chairperson
Colette Ballew, Loran Shlevin, Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, Bud Rue, Anne Rue, Gil Mende, John Rue. They should meet and get report back to Fellowship.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Colette Ballew, 92-93 Secretary

Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Minutes of the August 29th Meeting

Barbara Pontier gave a report on the River School. She read the Board of Trustees letter of August 5th, 1993, which was addressed "to all people who signed the original Articles of Agreement between the River School and the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in October 1991." The letter was written to advise the aforementioned of the complete and final termination of any relationship or sponsorship between the Upper Delaware UU Fellowship and the River School. It was the formal letter to finalize our committment.

Barbara read Dorothy Cameron's statement with reference to her feelings about saving the River School. Glen expressed a desire to mourn the passing of the River School as Dorothy Cameron expressed in her letter.

Glen Pontier discussed the River School, July, 1993 Fica final bill. Ann Rue said the final bill was paid. Glen requested a letter be sent to Jerry asking for verification of final bill payment. Laurie said she would be willing to find out if form has been filed. She will get ID # and pursue.

Ann Rue did not have treasurers report ready. She will have it prepared for next months meeting.

Glen discussed the budget approval of 10% to be raised and donated to charity. The idea of the 10K walk was widely approved. It will begin in Narrowsburg and continue to Milanville. Glen proposed we do the Walkathon first and see how it goes before we decide on other fund raisers ie. Spaghetti Dinner. Glen suggested the date of October 24th, with an approximate starting time of 1 P.M. It will coincide with United Nations Day. Bringing along plastic bags and picking up litter was discussed as an additional idea for the walk. There will be light refreshments and Laurie Stuart, Colette Ballew and Sharon Paige-Lisenbee will be on the committee. Car pick-up will be arranged for people who cannot/or do not wish to finish at Innisfree.

Bud Rue brought up the problem of insurance. He said we could not acquire insurance if any part of the walk was in NY State. In PA only, insurance coverage would be \$150 surcharge per event. Ann Rue said it was not a high risk event, and that people could walk at their own risk. Gil Mende proposed the idea of a waiver so that people will be made to understand that they are walking at their own risk. Glen thought that orange safety vests might be a good idea. Barbara Pontier posed the question "who will set it up." Carmen Rue, John Rue, Marjeana Howard and Glen are on the committee.

Bud made the motion that October 24th be accepted as the date of the Walkathon, Colette second the motion, all were in favor.

Gil Mende prepared a list of nine possible charities to be sponsored:

UU United Nations Office
Childrens Defense Fund
Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless
Interfaith Outreach United
Habitat for Humanity
Planned Parenthood
Victims Intervention Program
Rape Intevention Services
Amnesty International

It was decided that we would select 4 of the 9 and \$100 would be given to each. Laurie introduced the idea of a yes, no, maybe voting process. Points were added as follows: 2 for yes, 1 for maybe, and 0 for no.

The four selected charities:

Victims Intervention Program	16 pts.
Habitat for Humanity	16 pts.
Interfaith Outreach United	15 pts.
UU United Nations Office	13 pts.

It was agreed that these were very good selections as two were from Wayne County and one from Sullivan, with the fourth going toward a Unitartian Universalist cause. Laurie said that these local organizations will be helpful in getting people to participate in the Walkathon as they are the ones who stand to gain from its success. Bud moved to accept the four selected charities and Gil second the motion. All were in favor.

All money over \$400 made on the Walkathon will be devided equally between the four charities.

The final business was the decision to have only one charity cannister for the 93-94 season. The money will be devided equally between all four charities.

Glen made a motion to adjourn meeting, Bud second. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Meeting for Social Concerns and Fund Raising Project

Sunday, July 11, 1993 meeting was called to order 12:20pm

Present were: Glenn Pontier, Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, Colette Ballew, Gil Mende, Anne Rue, Bud Rue, John Rue

List of Criteria:

1. Focus on Local Needs/Organizations
2. Review organizations ratio of \$ towards goals
3. Not mainstream organizations
4. In harmony with UU philosophy
5. limit of 4 charitable causes
6. Needs of children to be considered
7. Limit to Sullivan and Wayne counties

Barbara Pontier clarified that committee was to be making suggestions to Fellowship as a whole to vote upon.

Funds to be raised from what sources?

1. Donations to come out of budget
2. Donations to be taken out of last year's surplus
3. Pot luck Dinner to raise donations
4. Thanksgiving Fund Appeal
5. To reach out to others (non-members) req. funds
6. A Walk-a-thon
7. Raffles
8. C.A.T. Benefit

Group focused on two main areas for fund raising and formed committees to investigate further:

1. Pot luck dinner: Ray, Bud and Barbara
2. Walk-a-thon: John, Glenn and Carmen

Group focused on a list of 12 organizations for consideration. Anne and Gil were to investigate the following :

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| 1. I.O.U. | 7. Amnesty International |
| 2. Habitat for Humanity | 8. The River School |
| 3. Wayne Co. Pro-Choice | 9. Children's Defense Fund |
| 4. V.I.P. | 10. S.C. Federation/Homeless |
| 5. R.I.S.E. | 11. S.C. Planned Parenthood |
| 6. Planned Parenthood | 12. U.N. Office for U.U. |

Group decided that no less than \$100.00 donation would be made thus the list of organizations will be honed down to only 4, as the goal is to raise \$400.00 for social concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm to meet again August 1st before Annual Luncheon.

Respectfully submitted by,



UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP MEETING

MAY 30, 1993 at 12:25pm

Present: Ray and Barbara Pontier, Bud and Anne Rue , Colette and Jesse Ballew

Discussion: Proposed Budget for Fellowship 1993/94

Anne, Bud, Ray and Barbara met as a Financial Committee and came up with the proposed budget to present to whole membership at annual meeting June 6th.

Treasurer's Report on file for actual expenses

R.E. Program Figure : \$1,300 is \$1,100.00 for teacher and \$200 for materials

Rental Space Figure: \$829.00 based on \$55.00/month plus insurance

Speakers Budget was lowered due to actual expense, point was raised on making a sliding scale based on time and travel making the \$25.00 minimum fee to be paid.

U.U.A. Fund Figure based on 17 members at \$30.00 per member, this fee has been raised by U.U.A.

Joseph Priestly was given \$50.00 this year, felt it could be raised next year.

Coffee Hour expenses have never been kept regularly, so just adding in to cover some of the expenses of paper goods, etc.

Suggestion was made to make a Publicity Packet with instructions, postage, mailing list and sample copy to be given to the volunteer of the month, in hopes of finding more volunteers.

Bud Rue made a proposal for the Fellowship, see attached to be discussed further with whole membership.

Point was raised by Anne Rue that the contributions to date will not cover the proposed budget, if not raised will not meet needs of fellowship. Suggestion made to form a committee to approach people individually to raise consciousness and commitment to fellowship.

Ray Pontier made a proposal of how to raise commitment to budget by units paying so much, see attached.

Colette Ballew made a motion to accept proposed budget. Jesse seconded. All agreed. Meeting adjourned 1:00pm

Respectfully submitted by

[Signature]

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

PROJECTED BUDGET FOR 1993-94

	1992-93 BUDGET	1992-93 ACTUAL	1993-94 BUDGET
Religious Education (Director & Materials)	\$1,500.00		\$1,300.00
Use of Innisfree Space (Rent & insurance)	688.00		829.00
Postage (Mostly for Newsletter)	500.00		300.00
Sunday childcare	175.00		180.00
Photocopying for News- letter, etc.	250.00		210.00
Speakers	250.00		200.00
Unitarian Universalist Ass'n Annual Fund	400.00		510.00
Joseph Priestly Dis- trict	50.00		100.00
Coffee-hour expenses (cups, coffee, etc.)	\$ not bill kept		150.00
Office supplies	50.00		50.00
Literature	50.00		50.00
Sunshine & special contributions	100.00		100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00		50.00
Meeting & Conference Fund			
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,013		\$4,029.00
<i>Social Concerns</i>			\$400-
PROJECTED INCOME			

Pledges & Commitments			
Sunday basket			
Other income			
TOTAL INCOME			
<i>Fund Raising Projects</i>	\$400-		

UPPER DELAWARE UU FELLOWSHIP 1992-93
 APRIL INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

INCOME

	APRIL	YTD	BUDGETED
PLEDGE #			
I	100.00	280.00	520.00
II	75.00	710.00	960.00
		25.00	
III	50.00	500.00	600.00
IV		250.00	500.00
		10.00	
V		175.00	500.00
CASH	36.50	372.68	228.00
		50.00	
		50.00	
RIVER SCH DONATION		1000.00	
HYMNALS		405.00	
GUEST/TABLE		208.85	
		29.00	
		5.00	
		25.00	
BAL FRWD			477.10
TOTAL INC	261.50	4095.53	3785.10

EXPENSES

RE TEACHER		0.00	1200.00
RE MATERIALS		0.00	300.00
UTILITIES	90.00	450.00	540.00
INSURANCE		148.00	148.00
POSTAGE	12.85	208.06	500.00
UUA DUES		350.00	400.00
CHILDCARE	30.00	120.00	175.00
SPEAKERS		85.00	250.00
PHOTOCOPY		60.00	250.00
STATIONARY		55.05	50.00
SUNSHINE ETC.		57.88	100.00
LITERATURE		0.00	50.00
HYMNALS		188.75	0.00
MISC.		47.00	50.00
RIVER SCH CONT.		1000.00	
GUEST/TABLE		168.45	
J. PRIEST		50.00	
UUA GA	175.00	175.00	
TOTAL EXP	307.85	3163.19	4013.00
GAIN/LOSS	-46.35	932.34	-227.90

BAL FWD 1455.79
 NEW BAL 1409.44

May 30, 1992

I would like to propose a modification to the budget presented. I believe an area of concern that is not adequately addressed is community outreach. There is not a single line item that can fairly be described as reflecting our fellowship's commitment to action at the local level. Clearly my own agenda includes WCHF and there are other local causes that deserve our outspoken money, words and deeds. It seems to me, that a church that only supports itself is not worth much. More than words are necessary to make changes in our community.

It is my position that a new line item be created that would reflect at least ten per cent of the whole budget, even if that meant reducing all other line items an equivalent percentage.

It's true we would probably spend time debating which causes we should support over others that's as it should be. I am not arguing for all or many worthwhile causes. I am arguing that we should support some.

Bud Rue

20 units @ \$4.00 a week = \$80.00
or \$4,160 a year

7 units @ \$50.00 a month = \$350 a month
or \$4,200 a year

There are, obviously, other combinations. They all mean taking our Fellowship and our commitment seriously

Our Pledge/Budget year runs from
June 30, 1993 to July 1, 1994

Monthly Meeting of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Sunday, April 25, 1993 at 12:35pm meeting began

Present were: Wilma Beam, Ann Rue, Bud Rue, Tom Rue, Carmen Rue, Barbara Pontier, Ray Pontier, Glenn Pontier, Jesse Ballew, Colette Ballew, Loran Shlevin, Francesca Cook, Ginny Boyle, Peter Shlessor, Jerry Billick, Chris Harding, Allison Smith, Christina Maloney, Susan Rangford.

Barbara Pontier began the meeting with a reading of the letter sent to the membership of the River School Board and all the original signers of the Articles of Agreement. (copy on file)

Glenn Pontier gave a "general sense" of the U.U.Fellowship was to help the River School continue the "Dream". UUF was interested in supporting a school that will function in Educating, in being an Alternative and this was meant as a guide to help structure and to open dialogue.

Bud Rue clarified that the UUF was forced to make the decision of non-sponsorship by the end of March or face automatic renewal which we could not accept.

Barbara Pontier stated that she was personally disappointed to see the enthusiasm wane without any kind of communication. Ray Pontier stated that his personal concern was that everything the River School did was in the name of the UUF and that included its liabilities.

Chris Harding read a response to the UUF letter, copy on file, which brought up a discussion of guarantee of collateral. How will we know that the River School will not leave unpaid bills behind if they should not operate this fall...?? Expanding on her letter, she added that they(RS) want to continue sponsorship with the UUF and gave a copy of their proposed budget. (copy on file)

Discussion of how the renewal of the Articles of Agreement should be done on a year-to-year basis with the renewed boards of parties involved. Tom Rue pointed out that the March renewal was due to the school's needs to have advanced notice to find new sponsor if it was necessary. Jesse Ballew added that sponsorship renewal could remain in March and the Articles of Agreement could be renewed and revised in June or July with the new boards. Loran Shlevin added that the AA be appended and rewritten so that the July deadlines be met.

Jerry and Chris were suggesting that the by-laws were to be amended also so that the Board consist of 4 River School members, 1 UU rep, and they will be responsible for signing.

Anne Rue stated a concern about the River School becoming Defunct and who is financially responsible for the debts. Jerry Billick responded that ultimately the Board members were. There was a discussion about the Montessori debt incurred by Andrew Darcy-Martin that the school felt it was not their responsibility to pay due to the break in the contract.

Article IX was read by Barbara Pontier and Loran Shlevin added what kind of "Mechanism" was going to be set up to guarantee against debts accrued. Ray Pontier expanded upon this issue stating that the Articles of Agreement be revised and signed so that the "Current" board members be made responsible.

Glenn Pontier stated that River School be aware that concerns that they decide upon do affect the UUF. And that the RS be conscious of the reason the RS needs UU Sponsorship, is also what binds us.

Francesca Cook and Jerry Billick stated their appreciation of the UU reps at the River School Meetings and that it's been a rough year, though decisive, and that they look forward to Growth. "We are here for the Children." Students enrollment was not finalized. Verbal Commitment was 10 students with 1 teacher. Min. # 8 with 1 teacher to operate 93/94.

Ann Rue stated everyone's concern that not all situations be satisfied so much as the River School be made aware and to renew their commitment.

Ray Pontier made a motion to have UU Board vote and give final decision on sponsorship with sense of UU Fellowship as soon as possible. Glenn seconded it with amending it, to be today. Motion was not voted upon.

General question was asked : What else could UUF give to River School to help it continue or in guidance...??

A-lison Smith stated that their presence at RS Meetings have been invaluable in clarifying issues. Chris Harding asked that UU Newsletter reflect any news ie fundraising for River School, Tom Rue added that this was not a new idea, and had been done and will continue to be done. UUF asked that it be reciprocated in RS Newsletter. When RS Newsletter is revived, no Problem. She also stated that she was hoping to cultivate some of the UUF membership into the River School Classroom in the form of Enrichment. Anne Rue stated that more interaction the better the relationship will become. Chris later asked that RS be looked upon as if in 1st year again.

Ray Pontier stated that he always was adamant about the River School never costing the Fellowship a single penny. He wanted to make it clear that the UUF was never expected to give money.

Ray Pontier stated that there were grant possibilities, but that there had to be a better working relationship so that rumors and gossip was kept to a minimum. UUF was looking for a more personal relationship with the River School.

At this point we asked the River School contingent to leave the room so that UUF members could discuss the possibilities of renewal.

There was a long discussion of many points about the letter, about financially responsible.--etc. after which the following motion was decided upon:

Glenn Pontier made a motion that approval of the renewal of the River School sponsorship of 1993/94 school year be based upon by-laws being signed by 7/1/93, Articles of Agreement, conditioned by letter dated 3/31/93 be signed by 7/15/93 and the ongoing ability to pay one month's expense in advance including salary by 8/30/93 be present.

Jesse Ballew and Ray Pontier seconded. Motion was carried.

Tom Rue made a motion that Carmen Rue be reinstated as Rep. of UUF at River School Meetings. Glenn Pontier seconded it, motion was carried.

The River School group was asked back and told of our decision, they agreed to conditions.

Meeting was moved to be recessed until Thursday, April 29th at 7:30pm at the Pontier's, Narrowsburg to review the Articles of Agreement. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted by,



Colette Ballew, Secretary

MINUTES OF A
MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE
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DISCUSSION OF THE RIVER SCHOOL

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SECOND by Bob Brewer.

MOTION CARRIED.


There being no further business to come before the meeting,

MOTION by MarJeana Howard to adjourn.

SECOND BY Ann Rue.

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Rue, Past President/Acting Secretary

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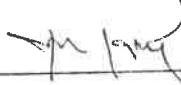
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SECOND BY Ann Rue.

MOTION CARRIED.

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Dated: April 18, 1993

Monticello, New York

MEETING HELD SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH, 1993 MEETING BEGAN 12:20PM

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

Present were: Ann Rue, Bud Rue, Jesse Ballew, Colette Ballew, Barbara Pontier, Ray Pontier, Glen Pontier, Loran Shlevin, Tom Rue, Carmen Rue

Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Check Balance was \$1,330.80 with two outstanding bills, \$228.00 UUA membership dues and a half payment on the hymnals \$180.00 approx. \$50.00 was sent to J.P. District with a cover letter from Barbara Pontier (copy enc). Report was accepted.

Tom Rue replied to UUA of Boston re: River School recommending that they contact Chris Harding in the future. (copy enc).

Jesse Ballew made a motion that Ann Rue be nominated as Delegate to General Assembly and her registration be paid by Fellowship. Tom Rue ammended it by adding Barbara Pontier be the alternate. It was accepted unanimously.

Next topic of discussion was RIVER SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP; should we meet with their board (?) to discuss this...? Glenn Pontier's point of view was to meet with them to guide them on 1) their future plans 2) teacher 3) financial plans 4) demands the UUF want them to meet. One consensus of the group was to continue to sponsor until December 1993, then re-evaluate the terms for an extension. Barabara Pontier suggested to form a committee to write out our "demands" and them present to the River School Board a "Bill of Demands", group unanimously agreed. Committee consists of: Glenn Pontier, Ray Pontier, Loran Shlevin, Barabara Pontier, Ann Rue, Carmen Rue and Tom Rue. Tuesday, March 30th at 8:00pm was the date decided upon.

Glenn Pontier made a motion that Sunday, March 28th constitute as a special meeting of members of the Unitarian Universalists Fellowship with more than half of the 17 members present.

Pursuant to special meeting on March 28th, Glenn Pontier made a motion that the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship do not renew sponsorship of River School for a number of reasons one including no viable board and not meeting with Section III of Articles of Agreement. However, reconsideration may occur upon meeting with River School board with a list requirements mutually agreeable to renegotiate the terms of sponsorship. Bud Rue and Ray Pontier seconded, and was passed unanimously.

Meeting was recessed until 8:00pm, Tuesday, March 30th at Innisfree's Main house.

Jesse Ballew

CONTINUATION OF MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH, 1993

Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Tuesday, March 30th, 1993

Present were:- Ann Rue, Bud Rue, Tom Rue, Carmen Rue, Loran Shleven,
Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, Glenn Pontier

The following terms and conditions were decided upon to be presented
to a joint meeting of The River School and the Upper Delaware UU
Fellowship on April 25th at Innisfree at 12:15 o'clock.

- 1) Reaffirm the spirit of the existing articles of agreement and clarify them.
- 2) The school should guarantee a functioning board or committee with regular meetings (no less than six a year) with a quorum present.
- 3) Give the UDUUF a list of board or committee members and officers.
- 4) School should have a signed contract with head teacher by July 1st, 1993.
- 5) School should guarantee financial obligation and responsibility through some form of collateral.
- 6) Provide monthly proof of the payment of all taxes and outstanding bills, along with a River School financial statement each month.
- 7) Present the UU Fellowship with a projected budget for the ensuing year by July 1st, 1993, showing both projected income and expenses.
- 8) Provide the Fellowship with a school calendar for the year, as well as a list of enrolled students by August 30th, 1993.
- 9) Secure and pay for Directors and Officers insurance for the Upper Delaware UU Fellowship.

A motion was made by Glenn Pontier and seconded by Bud Rue calling for a special meeting of the members of the UU Fellowship be held on Apr. 18th with proper notice to ratify what the board is doing and also a meeting be held of the board to meet the River School on April 25th 1993. *Motion was carried.*

It was suggested that the president send a letter with the above terms and an invitation to the April 25th meeting to the original signers of the Articles of Agreement and to Chris Harting, current coordinator of the School, and ask her to notify those persons who would or should attend the joint meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn by Tom Rue and seconded by Loran Shleven.



Barbara E. Pontier, Acting Sec'y

U.U. Fellowship Board Meeting held Feb. 28th

Meeting was called to order at 12:15pm

Present were:

Chris Billick - Coordinator of River School
Jerry Billick - Treasurer of River School
Barbara Pontier - Pres. Raymond Pontier - Minister
Loran Shlevin - V. Pres. Anne Rue, Jesse Ballew
Bud Rue - Treasurer Tom and Carmen Rue
Colette Ballew - Secy.

Chris Billick presented a report of the River School intentions. They are reasonably financially stable, with DNO insurance paid and no significant outstanding bills.

R.S. has requested the services of D.V. Job Corps to help continue renovation on the upper floor of the R.S. Building. The future hope being to accommodate a kindergarten class and to expand the grades to 7th and 8th grades.

Jean Kammer has officially resigned and will not be returning next year. The River School will continue its goal to be a Montessori-based school but will be looking for the right candidates for teacher position with a leaning towards Montessori trained.

Stacy Bennett is responsible for "middle group" consisting of ages 8,9,10 yr. old and is willing to continue with training in Montessori Methods to continue to use materials already implemented in the program.

What will school year 93/94 be like??? the question of returning students has not yet been answered as Enrollment Comm. has had a nother change of hands and has not yet been reorganized in its new face.

Chris Billick stated emphatically that she is looking forward to a future organizational maturity. She is now head coordinator and trying very hard to formalize how things are to be done. She is also setting up a booklet format for incoming new members that will be a guide to the parent-run school. Tuition is now \$248.00 inc. French and Music Program. the Art program is free to the River School, they are trying to expand this program to Home-schooled children in the are for a fee. River School plans on working on the P.R. for the school, summer programs are being considered, hoping to tap into the Enrichment Program that has never been used thus far. Their meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

Chris H. Billick's Number (914) 482-5217 in eves.

U.U. Fellowship Meeting

Sunday Oct. 25th

Meeting began approxiamately 12:15pm

Present: Barbara Pontier, Pres.
Loren Shlevin, V.Pres.
Bud Rue, Treasurer.
Colette Ballew, Secy.
Ray Pontier, Minister

Jesse Ballew - M
Glenn Pontier - M
Anne Rue - M

Treasurer's Report: Bud Rue opened the meeting by reporting the balance in the account being \$1,339.76 having already sent UUA dues in amt of \$100.00. It was decided that there are officially 17 active members and Fellowship is paying \$29.00 per member. Details: Attached

It was reported that the River School deficit was greatly improved by their auction that raised approx. \$3500.00. Insurance for DNO is being reviewed for lower rates, we will be advised.

Glenn Pontier reported that he had delayed the ad for R.E. Teacher due to interest in the community: Alison Smith and Andrew Darcy-Martin were approached. Ad will be put into place as there had been no formal response from either of the above mentioned.

Barbara Pontier is doing press releases for November, sending only to : River Reporter, The Record, Wayne Independent and News Eagle. They have consistently cooperated with the news releases in print. Fellowship felt the list was too Narrow . Discussed adding the Democrat, Pike Cty Dispatch. All agreed. Let it be known that the Policy is to reimburse for postage on News Releases.

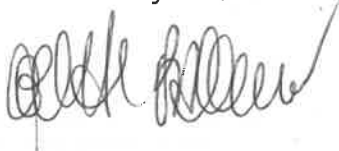
Suggestion of name taags and a Name Tag Board be instituted into the regular Fellowship meeting. Names for all members will be displayed and it was left that those who felt compelled could where theirs. It was agreed upon, and Anne Rue would get them printed up off her computer.

Nov. 15 there will be a program meeting for planning future programs.

Ray Pontier suggested a small file cabinet for the Fellowship be placed in Fellowship Meeting Room. Glenn Pontier motiioned a \$50,00 expenditure be made, Bud Rue seconded. Approved.

Moved to adjourn at 12:40pm

Sincerely submitted by Colette Ballew, Secy.



U.U. Fellowship Board Meeting Sept. 27, 1992

Meeting began approx. 12:30pm

Present: Barbara Pontier, Pres.
Loren Shlevin, V.Pres.
Bud Rue, Treasurer
Colette Ballew, Secy.
Ray Pontier, Minister

Jesse Ballew- M
Anne Rue - M
Marjeana Howard - M
Carmen Rue - M
Tom Rue - ?

Glen Pontier

Tom Rue opened the meeting by formally accepting his position to the board, and stating that he had no knowledge of this meeting, but would be willing to stay.

Bud Rue gave Treasurer's Report:

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No outstanding bill to date

Report was accepted.

Glen Pontier was asked to report on Religious Education. He deferred to Loren Shlevin and Anne Rue as they have been more actively involved. Loren and Anne have at this point volunteered to continue a program until someone can be found to take the full time position of R.E. Teacher. Sunday School will be held under the following guidelines:

- 1 student/child then babysitting (Erin if available)
- 3 students or more - will do program in River School Space

Glen Pontier requested authorization for an Advertising Budget of \$50.00 to run classified ads to get R.E. Teacher. Motion and authorization was given unopposed.

Glen Pontier made another motion to Advertise the Religious Education Program in a display ad format. Tom Rue amended this by adding UUA has ads already camera ready for this purpose, by reaching the children it would be good for Fellowship. Ray Pontier added that he did not want the ad limited to R.E. Program only, but it should be for the whole Fellowship. Bud Rue added and all agreed that we should gather info on rates, check out the UUA ads and vote on this at next meeting.

Annual Fund for UUA was brought to the floor. It was decided that there are 16/17 Active members in Fellowship. Active member meaning someone who contributes and participates in Fellowship as well as signed Membership Book. It was agreed that our "Fair Share" will be \$29.00/member.

Carmen Rue reported on River School that D.N.O. Insurance is committed thru Dec. and there was no question that it would not be renewed. It was requested that new copies of renewal insurance be sent to the Fellowship. R.S. has financial problems of the proposed \$10,000.00 deficit in budget. Enrollment is at present 15 students.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
MARCH 8, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT - Ann Rue, Bud Rue, Tom Rue, Carmen Rue, Collette Ballew, Jesse Ballew, Laurie Stuart, Glenn Pontier, Barbara Pontier, Ray Pontier
VISITOR - Alice Cristov

President Tom Rue opened the meeting. A summary of the minutes of the Board meeting held on February 23, 1992 was given by the secretary. A letter of thanks from Tom Klaber on behalf of THE RIVER SCHOOL for the grant of \$4500 obtained by the FELLOWSHIP from the UUA was read by the president. Also a letter from Alyce Van Etten was read informing us that there had been a change in their by-laws stating that there would be a board meeting of the School the last Wednesday of each month and the general meeting of members three times a year.

Tom Rue explained why there had been a delay in signing the agreement between the Fellowship and School, until the D & O insurance was in use.

There was a discussion about the Fellowship getting a report of what has been paid in taxes quarterly by the School. Alice Cristov says a photocopy will be given to us quarterly. It was established that the D & O insurance runs until Jan 10, 1993. The question came up of whether the total amount of taxable money collected and spent by the School in 1991 would exceed \$25000.

A lengthy discussion followed on the space that the Fellowship could use in the School for the newly planned RE program by the Fellowship. Alice Cristov explained that the library of the School was available, but that the large classroom was not, due to the materials left in place that should not be disturbed. Chairman of the RE committee, Glenn Pontier, replied that as long as the Fellowship only had around 10 children that would be fine for the present, but that the situation would have to be reviewed at a later date if the attendance increased. The possibility of using a second room also sometime in the future was discussed.

Alice Cristov gave a financial report and turned over several pages containing the report. She also gave an explanation of how funds are raised by and for the School. It was suggested that future dates and information of fundraisers be sent to Ray Pontier to be included in the Fellowship Newsletter.

Ann Rue asked several questions about the finances which Alice Cristov answered from the financial report pages.

At the end of the discussion a motion was made by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Jesse Ballew, that the UDUU FELLOWSHIP support the RIVER SCHOOL for the year of 1992-1993 with the condition that, in so far as it does not hurt the RIVER SCHOOL education, any reasonable need for the RE program space of the UU FELLOWSHIP will be met; secondly, the same D & O insurance protection be provided for another year; and thirdly, in all other ways our approval is contingent on the continuing of the articles of agreement. The motion was voted in favor unanimously. It was suggested that the articles of agreement already provided that the Fellowship can use the library at the School for an RE program.

As an unrelated piece of business a letterhead for note paper was chosen and Tom Rue will have it printed up.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Barbara E. Pontier, Sec'y
Upper Delaware UU Fellowship

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF
THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
FEBRUARY 23, 1992

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

David Koepke
Bud Rue
Carmen Rue
Tom Rue

UU MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Pontier
Ann Rue
Barbara Pontier

There being a quorum present, the meeting was opened by the president, Tom Rue.

This meeting was called to elect a board member and a secretary to the UDUUF. Bud Rue moved, seconded by Carmen Rue, that Barbara Pontier be elected to the board of the UDUUF. It was so voted. Bud Rue then moved, seconded by David Koepke, that Barbara Pontier be the secretary. It was so voted.

There was a brief discussion of the child caring situation and the suggestion was made by Ann and Bud Rue that it take place in their home until further arrangements can be made with the River School.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Barbara E. Pontier, Acting Sec'y for
Upper Delaware UU Fellowship

Minute Book

UDUU Fellowship Board Meeting Minutes

Date: December 14, 1991

Present: Board Members - Tom Rue, Bud Rue, Dave Koepke, Carmen Rue.
Members - Ray Pontier, Ann Rue, Jill Koepke. Visitor - Edris Artis.

This special Board meeting was held after the fellowship to approve the indemnity agreement between the Fellowship and the River School. Tom presented the agreement with proposed changes. Bud Rue moved for its approval, seconded by Dave Koepke, passed unanimously.

Tom Rue reported on the status of D & O insurance. The River School has presented the fellowship with a check which will be sent the McGuire Insurance Co. for procurment of insurance.

Ray Pontier presented a letter to be sent to all interested parents who might consider sending their children to a religious education program of the fellowship. It will be sent out prior to a March planning session.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Rue
Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
NOVEMBER 10, 1991

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Carmen Rue
Tom Rue
Bud Rue
Jesse Ballew

UU MEMBERS PRESENT

Ann Rue
Colette Ballew
Ray Pontier
Barbara Pontier

There being a quorum present, the meeting was opened by the president, Tom Rue. The minutes of the October 16, 1991 meeting of the representatives of The River School and the UDUU Fellowship were read. The president asked if anyone wished the minutes of the September 25th meeting (which had been read at the October 16th, 1991 meeting) be repeated. Since no one so wished, the two sets of minutes were approved as read.

Tom Rue reported that he had had no reply from his inquiry about D & O insurance from either the Irwin Siegal Agency of Rock Hill, NY or the Rhulen Agency of Monticello, NY.

A letter was read from Ann Concannon of the Maguire Insurance Group of Wynnewood, PA stating that they had not realized that there was a school connected to the Fellowship when they quoted the prices of the D & O insurance (although if they had read the application thoroughly it was evident), and therefore they were quoting new figures. The price of the \$100,000 coverage had risen therefore from \$850 to \$1200. It was reported that Alyce Van Etten was inquiring of the Rhulen Agency if they could match that figure.

It was also stated that The River School had signed the Articles of Agreement at their October meeting. It is hoped that they will approve a specific insurance at their November 20th meeting. (Their regular meeting has been set for the third Wednesday of every month.)

A motion was made by Carmen Rue and seconded by Bud Rue that The River School be asked to take out D & O coverage immediately for the 1st quarter and then if they find a less expensive policy cancel and take out the other policy as the UDUU Fellowship are anxious to be covered. This motion was approved by a vote of 3 to 0 with 1 abstention.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Jesse Ballew and seconded by Carmen Rue.

Respectfully submitted by
Barbara E. Pontier, Acting Sec'y for
Upper Delaware UU Fellowship

MINUTES OF MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
AND THE RIVER SCHOOL
OCTOBER 16TH, 1991

UDUUF MEMBERS PRESENT

Gil Mende Bud Rue
Ann Rue Carmen Rue
Tom Rue Barbara Pontier
Ray Pontier

RIVER SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

William Klaber
Alyce Van Etten

This meeting had been announced at the special board meeting of the UU Fellowship held on September 25th 1991 as a time for the two parties to bring some solutions to the insurance problem to cover the board members of the UU Fellowship by The River School. It was voted to proceed with the meeting by those present although a written notice of the meeting had not been sent. It was found however that since there was not a quorum of the UU Board present, this was not to be considered as a special board meeting and no deciding votes would be taken.

Tom Rue, president of the UDUUF, read a letter from Alyce Van Etten which he had received giving an explanation of the applications for information about D & O insurance which she had received and which Tom Rue, as president, was to fill out. Tom Rue stated that he had sent one such application to the Irvin Siegal Agency in Rock Hill, NY and another was being sent to the Rhulen Agency in Monticello, NY. Bud Rue had submitted to Tom Rue a non-profit D & O Liability Insurance proposal from the Maguire Insurance Group of Wynnewood, PA. The terms of this proposal consisted of \$875 for \$100,000 coverage, \$1200 for \$500,000 coverage, and \$1500 for \$1,000,000 coverage. A proposal was also supposed to be forthcoming from Ed Sykes of Honesdale, NY. It was mentioned that advice from an insurance agent had been that \$100,000 was the least coverage that should be obtained.

It was discussed that George ^{MOORE} Wood had, as suggested at the previous meeting, talked with David Koepke and found that his homeowner's insurance did not cover him as a member of the board and no umbrella policy could be attached. The Pontiers stated that they had found the same information about their homeowner's policy. It was not so stated, but it seemed to be the intent to go with some D & O policy rather than count on individual members being covered by a homeowner's policy (which even in the case of some of those it was suggested that it might only be partial coverage).

It was also mentioned that in case of a suit any deductible in a D & O policy the River School would be the one to pay. The Open House on Nov. 2nd from 11-4 was announced and invitation extended. The next official meeting of the River School is Wednesday, October 23rd, 1991, and it was decided that the UDUUF board would meet on November 10th following the Sunday meeting.

Since no further business could take place until all quotes about D & O insurance were obtained, the meeting adjourned with refreshments being partaken.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara E. Pontier
Acting Sec'y for the
UDUU Fellowship

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
SEPTEMBER 25, 1991

UU MEMBERS PRESENT

Jesse Ballew
Barbara Pontier
Ray Pontier
Ann Rue
Bud Rue
Carmen Rue
Tom Rue

RIVER SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Gerry Bilicki
Mary Darcey-Martin
William Klaber
Alyce Van Etten
George Moore

This meeting was called by the president of the UU Fellowship, Tom Rue, as a joint meeting of representatives of the UU Fellowship and The River School to decide on the Articles of Agreement between the two organizations.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Tom Rue, and the first item on the agenda was presented.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

The president read a letter of resignation from Gil Mende from the office of secretary and as a member of the board of the UU Fellowship. It was accepted on a motion by Bud Rue, seconded by Ann Rue and filed in the minutes.

ELECTION OF DIRECTOR(S) AND OFFICER(S)

Barbara Pontier then read a statement in which she gave her reasons for withdrawing her name as secretary to replace Gil Mende. She stated that the main reason was the fact that she would have no protection from liability as an officer of the UU Fellowship unless protected by The River School. A copy of her statement is included with these minutes.

It was also mentioned that David Koepke also had expressed grave doubts as to his remaining a member of the board of the UU Fellowship. Since Dave was unable due to his business to be present at this meeting, Tom gave Dave's reasons as best he could.

OLD BUSINESS

The draft of the Articles of Agreement presented by the UU Fellowship to The River School was then discussed in detail and changed by mutual consent.

Article 1 was amended to read -"THE SCHOOL personnel shall become familiar with and abide by these principles from the Statement of Purpose of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. THE FELLOWSHIP respects the rights of parents with THE SCHOOL to set objectives and guide the learning of the children, and THE SCHOOL shall support these principles:". (see Articles original draft).

Article 2 was dropped and the president informed the group that John Keating would draw up a document of indemnification. A copy of a promissory note of the school was then shown and the president asked for a blank copy to be filed by the UU.

Article 3 was not changed, but the representatives of the UU to the School board were announced. Carmen Rue - board member; Tom Rue and Bud Rue - members-at-large.

Article 4 dropped the words "no less than every thirty (30) calendar days;" because the treasurer's report would be in the minutes of THE SCHOOL's meetings each month and the financial statement would

be issued quarterly as requested (90 days).

Article 5 was not changed and it was stated that the Fellowship only needs the certificate of insurance.

Article 6 after much discussion was only changed by the insertion of "or acceptable equivalent" after the words "liability insurance". In the discussion the representatives of THE SCHOOL stated that they see and understand the FELLOWSHIP's need and will protect the board members. A committee consisting of Tom Rue, Alyce Van Etten, and George Moore are to meet with David Koeppe and try to resolve his problem of coverage for liability. Other members are to look into the possible coverage of the Pontiers. If the home-owners coverage cannot be used adequately, as suggested, then THE SCHOOL will have to resort to Director's and Officer's liability insurance which is more expensive. HR

Article 7 changed the first word "All" to "The" and dropped the words "The name of THE FELLOWSHIP, or" and capitalized "Any".

Article 8 was accepted with the UU suggestion that the shared space be the library and not the classroom. This activity will only take place after the UU has established an RE program.

Article 9 remained the same.

Article 10 remained the same.

Article 11 changed the words "all officers of both" to "representatives of"; the word "involve" to "involvin~~g~~" and the word "full" was inserted before the word "membership". relp

A motion by Bud Rue and seconded by Jesse Bellew to accept the Articles of Agreement as changed was passed.

It was stated that the protection insurance should be in place by January 1st, 1992. A meeting to continue the discussion on the liability insurance and report on the findings on the information about the homeowner's policies and the D. and O. liability insurance will be held at the home of Carmen and Tom Rue on October 16, 1991 at 7 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS - none.

ADJOURNMENT - At 9:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara E. Pontier
Acting Sec'y for the
UDUU Fellowship

I must withdraw my name from the position of secretary of the UU Fellowship and member of the board.

I would like to read a statement of my reason for doing so, as I feel very emotional about this move and wish to make myself very clear.

I am an educator and taught for 27 years, retiring reluctantly, so when the UU decided to lend our name to the Riverside school I was delighted and voted wholeheartedly to do so. I think the school is a fine thing and the parents are to be commended for their hard work and dedication in making it a reality.

I was also proud to be asked to remain on the board of the UU Fellowship as secretary when my term as a regular board member expired. However, I have come to the conclusion that I cannot serve in that capacity for the following reasons.

We have had two experiences in our immediate family where serving on a board has been hazardous. The first occurred when my daughter served on the board of a day-care center all the time her children attended there and left only because she no longer could give the time. The next year the daycare center folded and left many debts and the individual members of that board were all sued and held responsible for those debts. The second experience Ray can tell you more about but it occurred when he served on a mental health board and when the board was sued by the director who disagreed with the policies, again each individual member was sued including Ray.

I am not saying that the school is going to run into the problems of the above boards. I sincerely wish them every success, but I feel that they are willing to accept our name to help them out, but are putting the final responsibility and burden on the UU board with no protection for the board and its individual members. I feel that with no definite legal and liability protection by the school for the UU Fellowship board and its individual members, the worry and burden is not acceptable to me at my age and circumstances. (I spent one week in June in the hospital where they discovered I have an ulcer and I do not wish to worry myself into another.) Therefore, I withdraw my name as the nominated secretary of the UU Fellowship.

Barbara E. Porter
Sept. 26, 1991

UPPER DELAWARE VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

P.O. BOX 123, MILANVILLE, PA 18443

~~DEBORAH LAZARUS, PRESIDENT X19111 X9213520~~

Reply to: P.O. Box 706
Monticello NY 12701
(914) 791-7014

M E M O

DATE: August 16, 1991
TO: Gil Mende
FROM: Tom Rue
RE: Certificate of Authority (Pennsylvania)

Attached, for the fellowship's minute book, is a copy of our Application for Certificate of Authority to conduct business in Pennsylvania stamped as filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth on August 12, 1991. Under 15 Pa.C.S., upon the filing of this form we are deemed to hold a Certificate of Authority, and no actual certificate will be issued.

A legal notice will need to appear shortly concerning this application. Warren Schloesser recommends The Weekly Almanac, since it is less expensive (60¢ per line) than the Honesdale daily and published in Pennsylvania. Proof of publication of such advertising should also be filed in the minute book.

Thanks.

fax: Warren Schloesser, Esquire
Alice VanEtten, co-chair, The River School

Certificate of Change of

REGISTERED ADDRESS AND AGENT

under Section 805-A of the Business Corporation Law

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

(a) The name of the corporation is *Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Inc.*

and the corporation was formed under the (said) name

(b) The certificate of incorporation was filed by the department of state on the 13th day of March 19 90 .

(c) The certificate of incorporation is changed:

~~* to specify or change the location of the corporation's office:~~

* to specify or change the post office address to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the corporation served upon him to

P.O. Box 706 (23 Fisk Avenue)
Monticello, New York 12701

* to make, revoke or change the designation of the registered agent of the corporation or to specify or change the address of the registered agent of the corporation as follows:

Thomas S. Rue

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CORPORATION BUREAU
ROOM 308, NORTH OFFICE BUILDING
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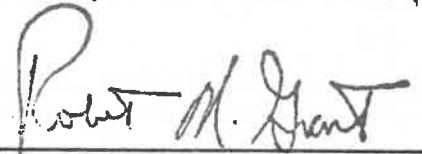
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

DSCB:15-4124/6124 (Rev 90)

Indicate type of corporation (check one):

Foreign Business Corporation (15 Pa.C.S. § 4124)

Foreign Nonprofit Corporation (15 Pa.C.S. § 6124)

In compliance with the requirements of the applicable provisions of 15 Pa.C.S. (relating to corporations and unincorporated associations) the undersigned association hereby states that:

The name of the corporation is: Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Inc.

The name which the corporation adopts for use in this Commonwealth is (complete only when the corporation must adopt a corporate designator for use in Pennsylvania):

(If the name set forth in Paragraph 1 or 2 is not available for use in this Commonwealth, complete the following):

The fictitious name which the corporation adopts for use in transacting business in this Commonwealth is:

This corporation shall do business in Pennsylvania **only** under such fictitious name pursuant to the attached resolution of the board of directors under the applicable provisions of 15 Pa.C.S. (relating to corporations and unincorporated associations) and the attached form DSCB:54-311 (Application for Registration of Fictitious Name).

The name of the jurisdiction under the laws of which the corporation is incorporated is:

New York

The address of its principal office under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated is:

<u>P.O. Box 706 (23 Fisk Avenue), Monticello, New York 12701-0706</u>	<u>Sullivan</u>
Number and Street	County

City

State

Zip

County

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DOCKETING STATEMENT DSCB:15-134A (Rev 90)
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BUREAU USE ONLY:
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FILING FEE: NONE

This form (*file in triplicate*) and all accompanying documents shall be mailed to:
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CORPORATION BUREAU
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Corporation registering as a result of (check box):

- Incorporation (Pa.) Domestication Consolidation
 Authorization of a foreign corporation Division Summary of Record

1. Name of corporation: UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC

2. Location of (a) initial registered office in Pa. or (b) the name and county of the commercial registered office provider:
(a) P.O. Box 123 (River Road), Milanville, Pennsylvania 18443-0123 Wayne
Number and Street/RD number and Box City State Zip code County
(b) c/o: N/A
Name of commercial registered office provider County

3. State or Country of Incorporation: New York 4. Specified effective date, if applicable: _____

5. Federal Identification Number: 23-2476279

6. Describe principal Pa. activity to be engaged in, within one year of this application date: Religious corporation, church sponsored school, and related activities

7. Names, residences and social security numbers of the chief executive officer, secretary and treasurer:

Name	Address	Title	Social Security #
Thomas S. Rue, P.O. Box 706, Monticello NY 12701		President	148-56-7325
Gil Mende, P.O. Box 40, Milanville PA 18443		Secretary	218-30-2956
Carmen B. Rue, P.O. Box 706, Monticello NY 12701		Treasurer	098-48-2957

If professional corporation, include officer's professional license numbers with the respective Pennsylvania Professional Board.

SPECIAL MEETING-UUDF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: August 9, 1992

PRESENT: Gil Mende, Lorin Slevin, Edris Artis, Marjeana Howard, Ray Pontier, Barbara Pontier, Bud Rue, Ann Rue.

Resolved: That the consulting minister be a voting member of the Board of Trustees of the fellowship.
Moved by Bud Rue, Seconded by Gil Mende.
Passed unanimously.

Resolved: That the immediate past president of the Board of Trustees be a voting member of the Board of Trustees for a period of one year following his/her term of office as president.
Moved by Ray Pontier, Seconded by Lorin Slevin.
Passed unanimously.

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
AUGUST 4, 1991**

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Rue.

The president asked that the minutes of the annual meeting be revised to include (a) mention of the program of art therapy that was described at the annual meeting by Tom Oliva and Dorothy Cameron and the possible interaction between the fellowship and said program, and (b) the fact that the River School would be preparing a grant proposal; a copy of the guidelines for preparing grant proposals to the Unitarian Universalist Association (in Boston, Mass.) was circulated.

On a motion by Eve Murphy, seconded by Bud Rue, the minutes of the annual meeting were accepted as amended.

After a discussion of the reasons for applying for a certificate of authority to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Ann Rue moved that the fellowship authorize the expenditure of \$90 (half of the \$180 fee, the other half to be paid by the River School) to accompany an application for the certificate of authority. The motion was seconded by Barbara Pontier and passed.

Collette Ballew gave a brief report on the River School, stating that, as of the date of this meeting, the enrollment was 13 students; that demolition of the interior of the classroom area was progressing and that insulation would be installed soon. In response to a question from the secretary, she said that all committees of the school were meeting regularly.

Ann Rue expressed her concern over questions of fiscal responsibility regarding the River School and concerning the compatibility of the school's philosophy and the fellowship's statement of purpose. She stated that she felt it would be advisable to develop a statement by the fellowship of what factors would be scrutinized after the first year of association between the fellowship and the school to ascertain whether the association should continue.

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The president, Tom Rue, accepted full responsibility for not putting the grant proposal up for a vote at the annual meeting. He asked that the secretary put a copy of the grant proposal into the minutes book as an addendum to the minutes of the annual meeting.

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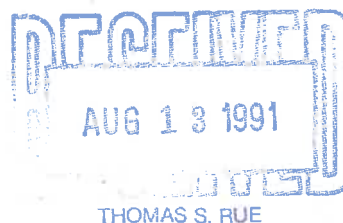
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Tom Oliva	Dorothy Cameron	C. Elliott Seal
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UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.
1991 ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 7, 1991

Marjeana Howard
Tom Rue
Ann Rue
Eve Murphy

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Pontier
Carmen Rue
John Rue

Barbara Pontier
Bud Rue
Gil Mende

Tom Oliva
Alice Van Etten

GUESTS PRESENT

Dorothy Cameron

Bill Klaber

The meeting was called to order by the president, Tom Rue.

After announcements of upcoming fellowship programs; opening words by Rev. Ray Pontier, consulting minister, which included various members' reading the seven points of the fellowship's statement of purpose; and candle lighting, the business portion of the meeting began.

Two notes from Debbie Lazarus were read: a thank you card expressing her appreciation for the potluck luncheon in her honor and a note in which she resigned from the board of trustees. It was also noted that Jay Shames had made known her resignation from the board.

President Rue read the nominations submitted by the nominating committee:

Tom Rue, president
Margaret Bryant, vice-president
Carmen Rue, treasurer
Gil Mende, secretary
Barbara Pontier, secretary to succeed Gil Mende
when he departs later in the year
Dave Koepke, member at large (3 years)
Bud Rue, member at large (2 years)
Jesse Ballew, member at large (1 year)

The motion was made by Ray Pontier, seconded by Ann Rue, to accept the nominations and elect the entire slate as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Carmen Rue, treasurer, circulated copies of the treasurer's report for the past year.

On a motion by Bud Rue, it was unanimously voted to authorize payment of the \$284 balance of the annual dues to the Unitarian Universalist Association.

A motion by Ray Pontier to budget \$50 for UU literature was also passed; he will select and order the literature.

The president requested the secretary write a letter to Unlimited News of Monticello stating that the \$36 invoice the fellowship received dated Jan. 22, 1991, for a "directory of churches advertisement" will not be paid due to the fact that the corporation did not authorize an "advertisement."

A discussion ensued regarding the redesigning of the fellowship's stationery.

That led to the subject of the fellowship's brochure, which until this time has been photostated. Tom Rue asked for a motion to update the brochurd and have it professionally typeset. It was so moved by Gil Mende with the proviso that a \$200 cap be placed on the project, seconded by Bud Rue and passed. Tom Rue offered to work up a draft copy and submit it for approval at a regular Sunday meeting of the fellowship.

Tom and Carmen Rue will also work up a projected budget for the coming year, which will be submitted for approval.

Eve Murphy made the motion, seconded by Ray Pontier, to accept the treasurer's report as presented; the motion passed.

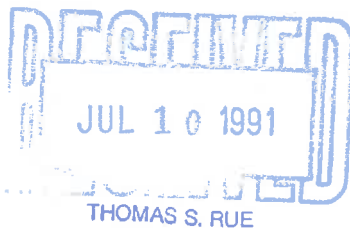
Bill Klaber was introduced and presented the concept of the fellowship's sponsoring the River School. Tom Rue read a list of his own ideas, concerns and expectations regarding the association of the fellowship and the school, emphasizing the mutuality of effort and responsibility that should be required of both parties. A long discussion ensued regarding the legal status of the fellowship in such an undertaking and the liability of the fellowship and its executive committee.

John Rue, having expressed strong reservations about both the philosophical linkage of the two groups and the lack of specific information on the liability question, moved to table a vote on the affiliation for two weeks and to establish a committee to study the two questions more thoroughly. The motion was seconded by Gil Mende and defeated by the vote of the remaining members present.

It was then moved by Bud Rue that the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship sponsor the River School for a period of one year, after which that sponsorship is to be reappraised. As amended by Ray Pontier that such sponsorship be contingent upon satisfactory liability protection being established, the motion was passed by the members present.

Ray Pontier then made the motion to adjourn.

Submitted by Gil Mende, secretary



UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.
1992 ANNUAL MEETING
JUNE 28, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tom Rue	Ray Pontier
Carmen Rue	Barbara Pontier
Bud Rue	Glenn Pontier
Ann Rue	

The meeting was called to order by the president, Tom Rue.

Announcements of future meetings were given and Bud Rue gave a report of the Habitat organization. Glenn Pontier related that the R.E. program would commence on July 12 with Loren Schleven as director for the summer months. The committee is still searching for a teacher to be hired in September. The lighting of the candles then took place.

The minutes of the 1991 annual meeting were read and approved following a motion from Bud Rue and seconded by Glenn Pontier. Then Carmen Rue passed out copies of the treasurer's report. (See attached.) It was approved on a motion by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Bud Rue.

The president asked for a report of the nominating committee. Ann Rue presented the following slate of officers and board members.

Barbara Pontier, president
Loren Schleven, vice-president
Bud Rue, treasurer
Collette Ballew, secretary
Marjeana Howard, member at large to replace
Bud Rue, 1993

Jesse Ballew, member at large, till 1995

The motion was made by Ann Rue and seconded by Glenn Pontier to accept the nominations and elect the entire slate as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

The following committee chairman were then nominated:

Bud Rue, finance
Glenn Pontier, R.E.
Tom Rue, social concerns
Carmen Rue, representative to the River School
board

Bud Rue, alternate to River School board
Tom Rue, member at large to River School
Ray Pontier, consulting minister
Ann Rue, membership
Ray Pontier, newsletter editor

The nominations were approved on a motion by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Bud Rue.

Tom Rue then turned the meeting over to the new president who thanked Tom and Carmen for the many hours they had put in for the Fellowship as president and treasurer. The new president then made mention of the fact that Tom had served

in an official capacity since the beginning of the Fellowship (5 years) and Carmen for 2 years.

A motion was then made by Glenn and seconded by Bud that the board be increased by one member so that the consulting minister would be on the board and have a vote in the business conducted. *It was passed unanimously. BRP*

Ann Rue took notes as acting secretary so that Barbara Pontier could conduct the rest of the meeting.

A tentative budget was then worked on. The more formal budget will be presented by the new treasurer, Bud Rue, in a few weeks. The working budget was approved on a motion by Bud Rue and seconded by Ray Pontier. It follows:

Expenses

Use of Rec. Hall	688
R.E. Director.....	1200
R.E. materials.....	300
Child care.....	175
Postage.....	450
UUA dues.....	500
Photocopy.....	250
Sunshine fund/Donations.....	100
Literature.....	50
Misc.....	50
Stationary supplies.....	50
Speakers.....	250
Total.....	4063
Projected income.....	3000

News releases of coming meetings will be taken care of for July and August by Ray Pontier. Glenn Pontier will get out special news releases about the start of the R.E. program.

A discussion was had on the date of our annual brunch in August and it was decided on a motion by Ray Pontier, seconded by Glenn Pontier, to have it at the Beach Lake Hotel on August 16th at 12 noon.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Barbara Pontier, Secretary and
Ann Rue, Acting Secretary

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CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION

Certificate of Exemption is void AFTER JUN 30 1994
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ST-119 (6/90) State of New York - Department of Taxation and Finance - Exempt Organization Section, Taxpayer Assistance Bureau

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The organization named below is exempt from payment of the New York State and local sales and use tax.

The number shown on this certificate must be entered on any Exempt Organization Certification (ST-119.1) presented to a vendor.
If this certificate is lost or destroyed, you may obtain a replacement by notifying the Taxpayer Assistance Bureau.

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Milanville, PA 18443

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MINUTES OF A
SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

November 17, 1990

Present: Fellowship members: Tom Rue, Carmen Rue, Ann Rue, Bud Rue, Margaret Bryant, Barbara Pontier, Ray Pontier, Deborah Lazarus, Harold Waage, Paulina Plum. Guest: John Stevenson, president, Joseph Priestly District of U.U.A.

Business: Ray Pontier moved to amend the corporate by-laws to change our affiliation from the Metropolitan New York District to the Joseph Priestley District. Seconded by Deborah Lazarus. Carried unanimously.

Ray Pontier moved that the fellowship close for the month of January of 1991. Seconded by Bud Rue. Three voted in favor, two opposed, six abstained. Motion carried.

Carmen Rue moved that a special social gathering be planned for the month of January. Seconded by Deborah Lazarus. Carried unanimously. The event will be announced at a later date.

John Stevenson presented the fellowship with a handmade chalice. He offered the following suggestions to promote fellowship growth:

1. Invite Doris Alcott, U.U. religious education consultant to speak to the fellowship about how to develop an R.E. program;
2. Set up a special "Visitors' Sunday" when members invite friends to the service. The attraction of friends accounts for 85% of the growth in any church;
3. Establish contact with the broader U.U. community. Two regional meetings are held each year. The next General Assembly will be held in Hollywood, Florida in June of 1991.

Respectfully submitted,
ANN RUE, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

June 17, 1990

The third Annual Meeting of members of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship convened at 11:00 a.m. on June 17, 1990 in the Innisfree recreation hall, River Road, in the hamlet of Milanville, County of Wayne, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to a Notice mailed by the Secretary to the newsletter mailing list (which includes the full membership), dated May 13, 1990, affixing the aforesaid date, time, and place.

A copy of the said Notice, accompanied by a financial statement, is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Present at the meeting were: George Bailey, Margaret Bryant, Laura DeSimone, Kaare Gunderson, Deborah Lazarus (with two children), Shirley Marshall, Gil Mende, Eve Murphy, Barbara Pontier, Glenn Pontier, the Rev. Raymond Pontier, Bernette Ann Rue, Clyde ("Bud") Rue, Carmen Hernandez Rue, John Rue, Thomas Rue, Laurie Stuart and Zachary Stuart-Pontier. A quorum being in attendance, under the requirements of the By-Laws, President Deborah Lazarus called the meeting to order. Tom Rue acted as secretary.

Bud Rue announced that a movie, "The Last Temptation of Christ" would be shown at the fellowship meeting hall this Tuesday night, June 19, 1990. Tom Rue read a form letter to Federal legislators, circulating blank copies for signature and mailing, regarding reauthorization of funds to the National Endowment for the Arts without restrictive language.

Following a candle-light devotional period, Deborah Lazarus made some brief remarks, thanking those who have assisted with the fellowship over the past year. She then explained the history of the fellowship's efforts to arrive at a "Statement of Purpose". Drafting such a statement was originally recommended by U.U.A. district executive Howell Lind, she related, and evolved over the course of several meetings. The statement was read by Rev. Raymond Pontier:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

We, the members of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, are gathered into a committed relationship:

To make possible a caring and supportive community in which each individual will feel free to chart her or his own spiritual journey in the search for ultimate meaning in life;

To create an atmosphere in which each person will be able to share convictions, express doubts, and explore new dimensions of truth and reality;

To provide a community in which there will be no divisions because of class, ethnic origin, race or sexual orientation;

To offer a place and climate for regular worship, which includes such things as fellowship, meditation, learning, and a free and open pulpit;

To work for the vision of a better world by standing for the cause of social justice and human rights, supporting efforts for world peace, and seeking to protect the earth's

environment through our respect for the interdependent web of all living things;

To join with others in the tradition of free and open religion in affiliation with the Unitarian Universalist Association;

To bear witness to our convictions as Unitarian Universalists in this entire region by giving our support to the Upper Delaware Fellowship through the dedication of our energies and time and finances, knowing that unless the local group is strong and healthy, little else can be accomplished.

After discussion, Rev. Pontier moved for adoption of the statement. Seconded by Bud Rue, the motion was carried unanimously. Tom Rue reported that a Certificate of Incorporation had been filed on behalf of the Fellowship, on March 13, 1990, with the Secretary of State of the State of New York. Subsequent to this, a Consent to Action Taken In Lieu of Organizational Meeting of the Fellowship, dated April 29, 1990, was described and explained by Tom Rue. Upon his motion, and seconding by John Rue, the Consent was unanimously approved by the membership by means of the following:

RESOLVED, That the actions taken by the incorporators as set forth in the Consent to Action Taken In Lieu of Organizational Meeting is hereby approved, ratified and in all respects confirmed.

Tom Rue related that a corporate seal had been received, and provided for in the By-Laws of the fellowship, as adopted in the aforementioned Consent. Upon motion by Tom Rue, seconding by Deborah Lazarus, and unanimous vote of the membership, it was:

RESOLVED, That the seal now presented at this meeting, an impression of which is directed to be made in margin of the minute book, be and the same hereby is adopted as the Seal of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Inc.; and further

RESOLVED, That the corporate record book and membership roll book now presented at this meeting be and the same hereby are adopted as the corporate book and membership roll book of the Corporation.

Carmen Rue then made her Treasurer's report. Although no motion was made, discussion of possibly amending the By-Laws with respect to an annual financial contribution by each member resulted in a decision to take no action. Carmen presented a balance sheet covering the period of the 1989-1990 year, as a starting point for a 1990-1991 operating budget. During the course of discussion, the following budget was constructed:



1990-1991 Operating Budget

Heat	\$	540.00
Speaker honoraria		300.00
Charitable contributions		250.00
Postage		250.00
U.U.A. contribution		220.00 (*)
Newsletter photocopies		150.00
Liability insurance		148.00
Advertising		100.00
Fund-raising expense		50.00
Literature (pamphlets)		50.00
Religious education materials		50.00
Candles		20.00
Contingency (misc.)		<u>122.00</u>
	\$	<u>2,250.00</u>

(*) U.U.A. contribution will be re-examined in January 1991, with a goal of making a full "Fair Share" contribution of \$22.00 per fellowship member for the fiscal year.

Moved as constructed and amended by Rev. Raymond Pontier, seconded by Tom Rue, the foregoing budget was unanimously adopted.

In order to clarify existing policy, upon motion of Tom Rue, seconded by Glenn Pontier, the following passed unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer shall be and hereby is authorized to pay outside speakers an honorarium of up to \$25.00 per speaking engagement; and that "outside speakers", for present purposes, shall be defined as the primary presenter for a Sunday service who is not a member of the Fellowship.

Glenn Pontier made a motion that the fellowship continue with steps necessary to affiliate with the Unitarian Universalist Association. Seconded by Laura DeSimone, the motion carried unanimously.

Tom Rue reported that among the final steps remaining to be taken, in order to affiliate with the U.U.A., is to submit an application and list of members. It was agreed that the task of identifying "active" Charter Members, from the signatures in the Membership Book, would be left to the Executive Committee.

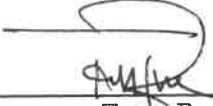
Upon motion of Gil Mende, speaking for the Nominations Committee, there was unanimous consent to cast a single ballot for election of a proposed slate of officers. Reporting for the Nominations Committee, which consisted of himself and Bud Rue, presented the following slate:

- Thomas S. Rue, Monticello NY - President
- Margaret Bryant, Smallwood NY - Vice-president
- Bernette Ann Rue, Milanville PA - Secretary
- Carmen Hernandez Rue, Monticello NY - Treasurer
- Barbara E. Pontier, Narrowsburg NY - Member-at-large (1 year)
- Jay Shames, Barryville NY - Member-at-large (2 years)
- Deborah Lazarus, Jeffersonville NY - Member-at-large (3 years)

Nominations were opened to the floor; there being no additional nominations, they were then closed. Upon motion of Shirley Marshall, and seconding by Eve Murphy, the foregoing slate was unanimously approved. Grateful acknowledgement was given to Bud Rue, whom it was noted had completed three years of services as a Member-at-large.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m., and was followed by a pot-luck luncheon.

Dated: June 17, 1990
Monticello, New York



Tom Rue, Secretary
and President-Elect

UPPER DELAWARE VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

P.O. BOX 123, MILANVILLE, PA 18443

DEBORAH LAZARUS, PRESIDENT - (914) 482-3520

ANNUAL MEETING OF UPPER DELAWARE VALLEY U-U FELLOWSHIP

June 17, 1990

AGENDA

- I. Outgoing president's remarks and acknowledgements
- II. Approval of Statement of Purpose
- III. Proposed Amendment to Fellowship By-Laws
- IV. Adoption of 1990-91 Operating Budget
- V. Identification of Charter Members and Approval of Application
for Affiliation
- VI. Election of Officers
- VII. Program suggestions, community service, etc.

P O T L U C K L U C H E O N

UPPER DELAWARE VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

P.O. BOX 123, MILANVILLE, PA 18443

DEBORAH LAZARUS, PRESIDENT - (914) 482-3520

Treasurer's Report
May 28, 1990

TAKE NOTICE: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FELLOWSHIP BY-LAWS WILL BE PROPOSED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS:

In the past, member households of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship have been asked to contribute \$100 per adult per year, to meet expenses. However, at the annual meeting of members scheduled for June 17, 1990, 11:00 a.m., to be held at the Innisfree recreation hall in the hamlet of Milanville, County of Wayne and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, it will be proposed that the fellowship formally affiliate with the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, which involves an annual "fair share" per-capita financial commitment estimated at \$450.00. Accordingly, it is also proposed that each member household raise their annual commitment to \$120.

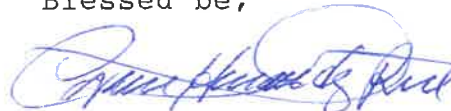
Accordingly, a motion will be made by the undersigned, **which would require an amendment to existing fellowship By-Laws**, that that we delay filing the affiliation application with U.U.A. until after the amount of the fellowship's assessed "fair share" contribution has been collected, separate and apart from the present checkbook balance, as a demonstration of sufficient group interest and investment in the concept of affiliation. Under the proposed amendment, Article III of the By-Laws would be changed to require "an annual contribution of an amount or amounts as may from time to time be set by the Board of Directors" in order to qualify for membership [present requirement is for "an annual contribution of record"]. Are enough of us willing to make the required commitment to qualify as "Charter Members"?

Consideration and discussion of the above motions should involve all who have or who intend to sign the fellowship Membership Book.

Please attend and voice your opinion by committing to carry a share in ensuring a continued liberal presence in the religion of the Upper Delaware river valley.

A balance sheet for the last fiscal year is reflected on the reverse side of this notice.

Blessed be,



Carmen Hernandez Rue
Treasurer

UPPER DELAWARE VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

P.O. BOX 123, MILANVILLE, PA 18443

DEBORAH LAZARUS, PRESIDENT - (914) 482-3520

1989-1990

B A L A N C E S H E E T

Credits:

Checkbook balance as of 6/23/89	\$	347.06
Member contributions		<u>1,779.56</u>
TOTAL assets/income	\$	2,126.62

Debits:

Heat		540.00
Contributions (total)		-168.95
C.A.C.H.E. (breakfast program)	\$ 25.00	
U.U.S.C. (Guest at Your Table)	12.00	
U.U.S.C. (fellowship donation)	50.00	
Habitat for Humanity (expenses)	81.95	
Postage		196.00
Speakers		150.00
Insurance		148.00
Newsletter photocopies		100.00
Advertising		70.20
Fundraising expense (total)		31.96
"Liberty Days" village permit	25.00	
Fabric for banners/tablecloth	6.96	
Bank endorsement stamp		39.10
Candles		11.77
TOTAL expenses, 6/23/89-6/1/90	\$	1,455.98
Checkbook balance (5/28/90)	\$	670.52

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[Present checkbook balance (6/17/90) \$ 796.02]

Respectfully submitted,


Carmen Hernandez Rue
Treasurer

CHR:tsr
6/17/90

Treasurer's Report

Upper Delaware U.U. Fellowship, Inc.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP:

TAKE NOTE that the third Annual Meeting of the Fellowship is hereby called to be held on Sunday, June 17, 1990, at 11:00 in the morning, at the Innisfree recreation hall, near the Skinners Falls Bridge, River Road, Milanville, Pennsylvania.

The agenda at the proposed meeting will include:

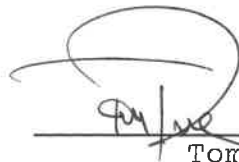
1. Elect officers and an Executive Board for 1990-1991;
2. Hear a report on incorporation of the Fellowship, which was affected pro bono by attorney Mark Shames, Esq. (Certificate of Incorporation filed March 13, 1990 with the Secretary of State of the State of New York);
3. Take final steps leading to affiliation with the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, including identification of "Charter Members" of the Fellowship (for purposes of UUA), and approval by the congregation of the application for affiliation;
4. Consider and adopt a 1990-1991 operating budget (see enclosed proposed budget);
5. Consider and discuss program suggestions, community service, and other matters concerning the Fellowship.

While anyone may attend and participate in discussion, only those who have signed the Membership Book will be entitled to vote.

A POTLUCK LUNCHEON WILL FOLLOW!

Please attend.

Dated: Monticello, New York
May 13, 1990



Tom Rue, Secretary

tsr
Attachments

CONSENT TO ACTION TAKEN
IN LIEU OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
of the
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

The undersigned, being the incorporators of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Inc., hereby consent to the actions taken, as hereafter stated, in lieu of an organizational meeting:

A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation, together with the receipt issued by the Department of State showing the date and payment of the filing fee for the original Certificate of Incorporation, is ordered appended to this statement.

By-Laws regulating the conduct and the affairs of the corporation, as prepared by the Executive Committee, are adopted and ordered appended hereto.

The following persons are appointed to the Executive Committee of the corporation, to serve until re-elected or replaced at the annual meeting in June 1990:

Officers:


- Deborah Lazarus, Jeffersonville, NY (President)
- Margaret Bryant, Smallwood, NY (Vice-President)
- Thomas S. Rue, Monticello, NY (Secretary)
- Carmen Hernandez Rue, Monticello, NY (Treasurer)

Members-At-Large:

- Barbara Pontier, Narrowsburg, New York
- Clyde B. Rue, Milanville, Pennsylvania
- Jay Shames, Barryville, New York

The principal office of the corporation is fixed at: P.O. Box 123, Milanville, Pennsylvania 18443. The registered address for service of process in the State of New York is: c/o Palant, Sbeglia & Shames, Esqs., 299 Broadway, Suite #605, New York, New York 10007, as set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation.

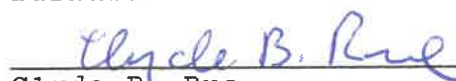
Incorporators:




Margaret Bryant



Barbara Pontier



Clyde B. Rue



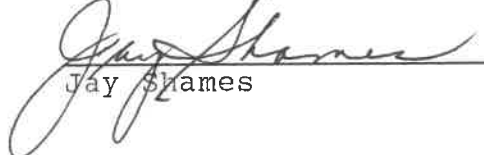
Deborah Lazarus



Glenn Pontier



Thomas S. Rue



Jay Shames

The undersigned accept their appointment to the Executive Committee, to serve until re-elected or replaced at the annual meeting in June 1990:

Deborah Lazarus
Deborah Lazarus, President

Margaret Bryant
Margaret Bryant, Vice-President

Thomas S. Rue
Thomas S. Rue, Secretary

Carmen B. Rue
Carmen B. Rue, Treasurer

Barbara E. Pontier
Barbara Pontier

Clyde B. Rue
Clyde B. Rue

Jay Shames
Jay Shames

Dated: April 29, 1990
Milanville, Pennsylvania

The following are appended to this consent:

- Copy of the certificate of incorporation
- Receipt of the Department of State
- By-Laws

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

under Section 402 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law

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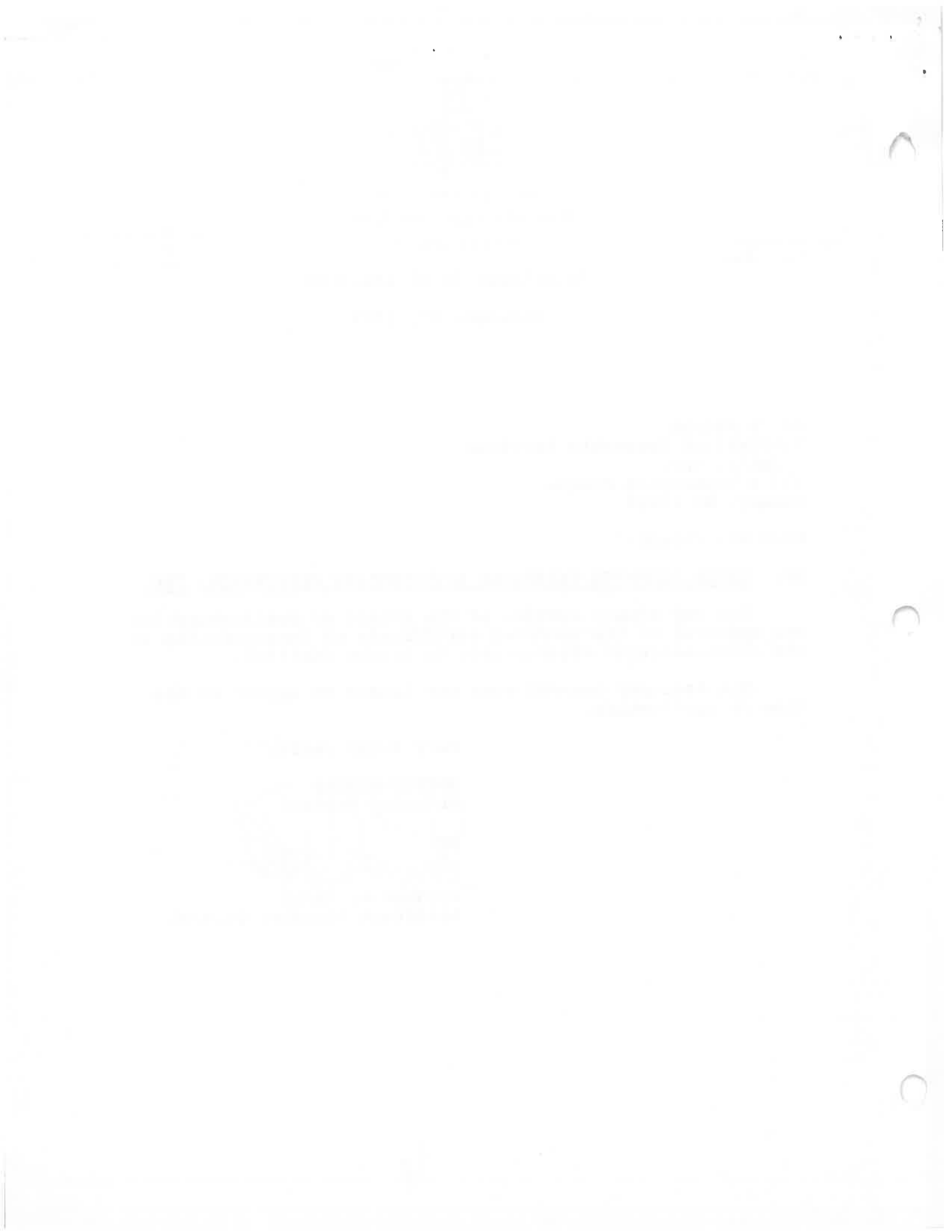
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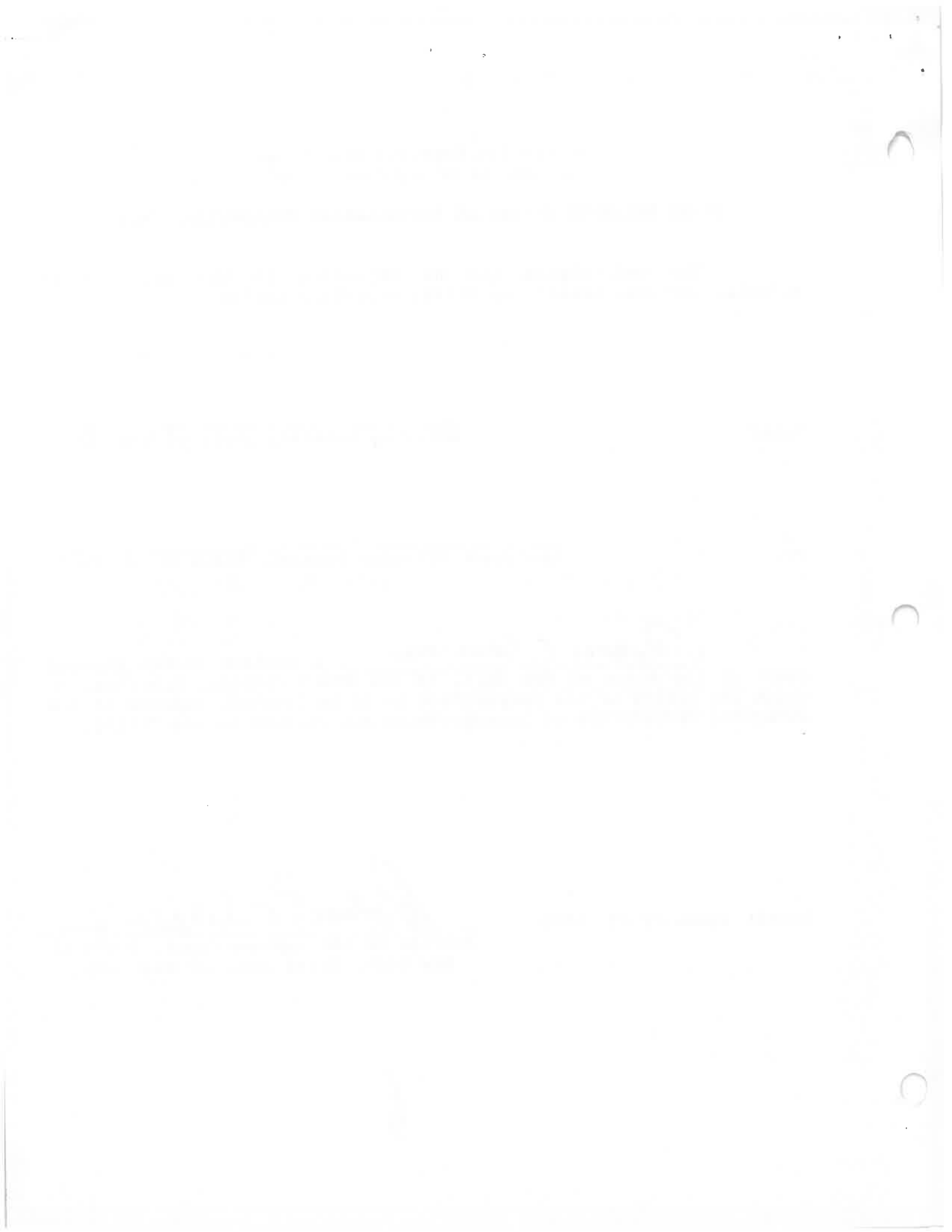
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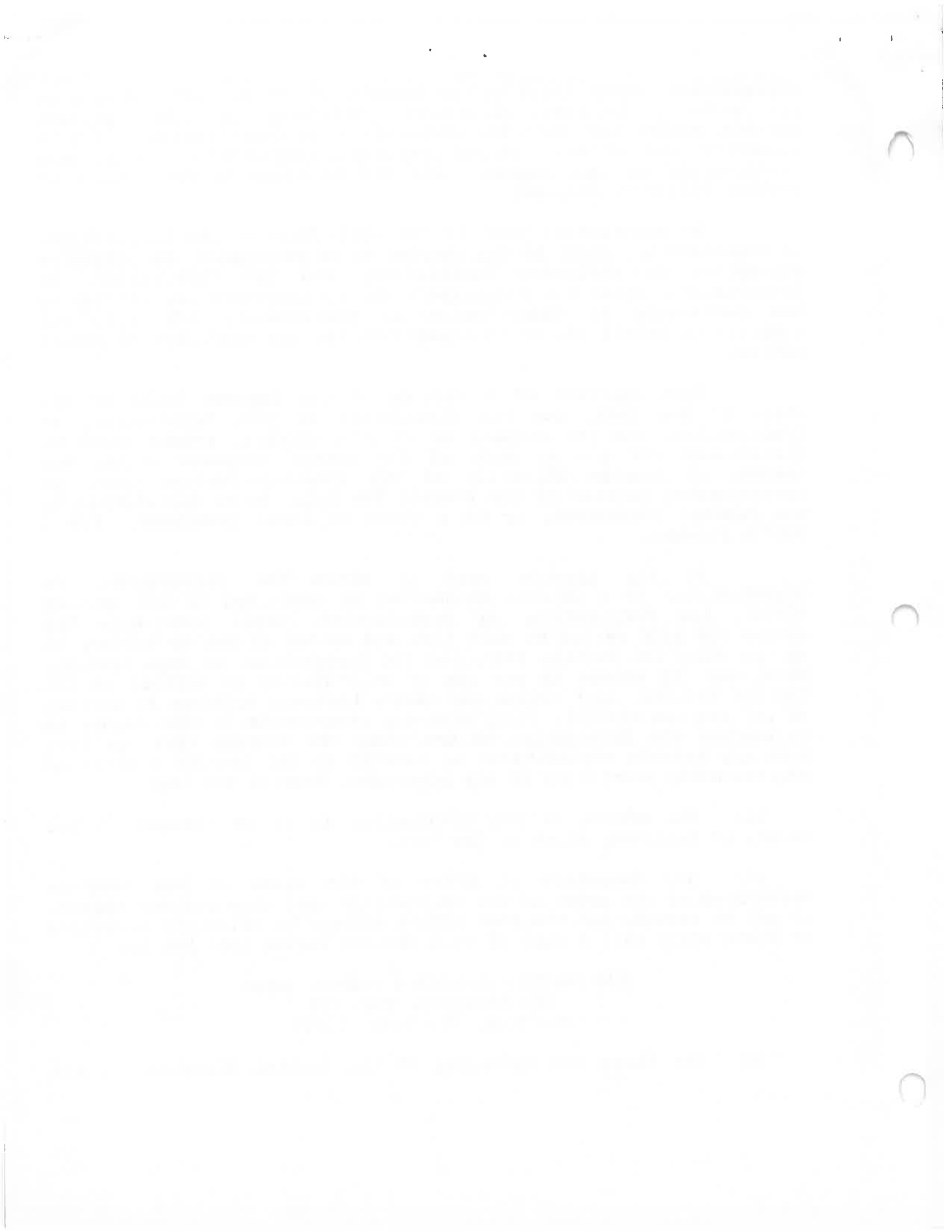
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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

under Section 402 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law

THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to Section 402 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, do hereby certify and set forth:

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[1] The name of the Corporation is:

UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, INC.

[2] The Corporation will be a Type B corporation as defined under Section 402 of the Not For Profit Corporation Law, and is a corporation as defined in subparagraph [a][5] of Section 102.

[3] The purpose or purposes for which the Corporation is formed are as follows, to wit :

[A] To receive and maintain a fund or funds and to apply, from time to time, all or part thereof, and the income therefrom, for religious and charitable causes.

To promote daily prayer and study, in the teachings of the Unitarian Fellowship, amongst the members of the Corporation, as to better enable them in spreading the gospel within their communities.

[B] To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects and in particular:

[a] To use, apply, give, devote or distribute from time to time all or part of the fund or funds of the Corporation and the income therefrom for religious or charitable purposes, to or for any religious or charitable organization which carries on and promotes the objects of the Corporation;

[b] To use, apply, give, devote or distribute from time to time all or part of the fund or funds of the Corporation and the income therefrom for religious or charitable purposes by such means as may from time to time seem expedient to its directors, including research, publication, and the aid of any such activities,

MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

June 18, 1989

Present: Jay Shames, Helen Sidwell, Tom Sidwell, Palline Plum, Debbie Lazarus, Margaret Bryant, Ann Rue (Acting Secretary).

Treasurer's Report: Debbie Lazarus presented the attached financial report but noted that the bank balance on the report did not concur with the most recent statement from the bank. Se will present an amended report after her review.

Old Business: Jay Shames reported that three signatures are still needed on incorporation documents. These will be obtained by the end of July, and with such the incorporation process will be completed.

New Business: The proposed slate of members of the Executive Board, and officers, presented by the Nomination Committee was as follows:

Debbie Lazarus	President
Margaret Bryant	Vice President
Tom Rue	Secretary
Carmen Hernandez	Treasurer
Bud Rue	
Jay Shames	
Barbara Pontier	

No additional nominations were made. Bud Rue moved that the slate be accepted as presented. Helen Sidwell seconded. Passed unanimously.

Budget: Jay Shames reported that the national U.U.A. recommends a per person contribution of \$18.00. Helen Sidwell moved that this be an added line item in the budget. Debbie Lazarus seconded. Passed unanimously.

Upon review of the Treasurer's financial report, the following yearly budget was constructed:

Heat	\$ 600.00
U.U.A. contribution	300.00
Speakers	300.00
Insurance	150.00
Advertising	150.00
Postage	150.00
Xeroxing	100.00
Coffee, food, etc.	100.00
Stationery	75.00
	<u>75.00</u>
	\$1,985.00

The acceptance of the proposed budget was moved by Bud Rue, passed unanimously. Jay Shames volunteered to serve as chairperson to a finance committee for coordination of

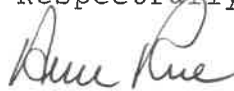
communication with membership to assess the willingness to adopt some sort of financial pledge.

Habitat Project: Jay Shames and Bud Rue volunteered to coordinate organization of Barbara Van Horn's return visit in September. Other organizations (churches, etc.) will be invited to attend this meeting.

Fund Raising: Debbie Lazarus announced that the Chamber of Commerce of Liberty, New York holds a yearly block party called "Liberty Day" and offers the opportunity to organizations to provide concessions of refreshments, entertainment, or games. This year's event will be held Saturday, September 9th (rain date: September 10th), from 1:00 to 9:00 p.m. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the proceeds goes to the Chamber of Commerce and 75% to the sponsoring organization. Bud Rue moved that we provide a refreshment concession to sell fruit cups, punch and cookies, and that any profits made be split by the Fellowship and Habitat. Seconded by Helen Sidwell. Passed unanimously.

Bud Rue moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Helen Sidwell.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Rue
Acting Secretary

AR:tsr

Upper Delaware Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship

Prepared By
Approved By

Statement of Income - June 1/88 - May 30/89

Donations \$1,100.25

Statement of Expenses - June 1/88 - May 30/89

Heat + Utilities	540 -
Speakers	275 -
Ins. Coverage	148 -
Advertising	114 -
Postage	132.25
Paper and Copies	98.00
Donation to IOU	50 -
Guest at Your Table	3.50
Picnic supplies	25.00
U.U.A. Bookstore	6.00

1391.75

Checkbook balance as of 5/28 282.81

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Income (Projected)

Donations

1900 -

Expenses (Projected)

Heat + Utilities

540 00

Speakers

600 -

Insurance Coverage

150 -

Advertising

200 -

Postage

180 -

Paper

15 -

Photo Copying

120 -

Thanks giving

50 -

Coffee + Supplies

100 -

Legal Costs (Incorporation)

250 -

UUA Dues

150 -

Misc.

100 -

\$ 1,900 - \$ 2,450 00

Discussion

Do we want to make
Charitable contributions?
How much?

Submitted by
Deborah Lazarus
Treasurer
May 31, 1988

MINUTES OF A
SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

April 30, 1989

A special meeting of members of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Fellowship convened at 11:00 a.m. on April 30, 1989 in the Innisfree recreation hall, River Road, in the hamlet of Milanville, County of Wayne, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to a Notice read at two consecutive regular Sunday meetings of the Fellowship, affixing the aforesaid date, time, and place.

Present at the meeting were: Margaret Bryant, Carmen Hernandez M., Deborah Lazarus, Barbara Pontier, Glenn Pontier, Rev. Raymond J. Pontier, Clyde B. "Bud" Rue, Thomas S. Rue, Jay Shames, and Harold Waage. Fellowship president Jay Shames acted as chair, with Tom Rue as secretary. As there were currently 29 members listed in the Membership Book, with ten present, a quorum was in attendance under the requirements of the By-Laws.

Following a sermon by the Rev. Pontier on the works and teachings of Robert Ingersoll, the business portion of the meeting opened at approximately 12:00 noon.

The chairperson reported that legal counsel who had researched incorporation of religious groups such as the Fellowships recommended re-adoption of measures approved at the June 26, 1988 Annual Meeting; none of which, she said, had yet been acted upon.

Accordingly, the By-Laws previously adopted were re-adopted by unanimous vote, as well as resolutions to incorporate. By acclamation, the Executive Committee was reconstituted as follows:

- o Jay Shames, Barryville NY - President
- o Margaret Bryant, Smallwood NY - Vice-president
- o Thomas S. Rue, Monticello NY - Secretary
- o Deborah Lazarus, Jeffersonville NY - Treasurer
- o Barbara Pontier, Wayne NJ - Board member
- o Glenn Pontier, Narrowsburg NY - Board member
- o Clyde B. Rue, Lawrenceville NJ - Board member

It was noted that Irving Krongel had subsequently declined his appointment, at the June 1988 meeting, to serve as Vice-president.

The following resolution was moved by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Bud Rue, and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, That the executive committee shall be and hereby is empowered to take whatever steps are or may become necessary to affiliate the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship with the Unitarian Unitarian Universalist Association, and the Metropolitan New York District thereof.

Upper Delaware UU Fellowship
Special Meeting - 4/30/89
Page two

The following resolution was also moved by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Bud Rue, and unanimously approved:


RESOLVED, That the draft By-Laws adopted at the Annual Meeting of June 26, 1988 shall be and hereby are re-adopted.

Upon request of the members present, Rev. Pontier agreed to draft a letter and program questionnaire, to be sent to the Fellowship mailing list, making note of the fact he and Barbara Pontier will soon be retiring from the Lakeland Fellowship in Wayne, New Jersey, and moving to Narrowsburg.

It was agreed the second Annual Meeting of the Fellowship will be held June 18, 1989, at 11:00 a.m., at Innisfree.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Dated: May 13, 1989
Monticello, New York



Tom Rue, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE
UPPER DELAWARE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

June 26, 1988

The first Annual Meeting of members of the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship convened at 11:00 a.m. on June 26, 1988 in the front yard of the Innisfree recreation hall, River Road, in the hamlet of Milanville, County of Wayne, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to a Notice mailed by the Secretary to the newsletter mailing list, dated June 15, 1988, affixing the aforesaid date, time, and place.

A copy of the said Notice, with two enclosures, is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Present at the meeting were: Deborah Lazarus, Barbara Pontier, Glenn R. Pontier, Rev. Raymond J. Pontier, Ann Rue, Clyde B. "Bud" Rue, Thomas S. Rue, Jay Shames, and Laurie Stuart. Fellowship secretary Tom Rue acted as chair pro tem, pending election of officers. As there were currently 26 members listed in the Membership Book, with nine present, a quorum was in attendance under the requirements of the draft By-Laws.

Former president James A. Murtha, who resigned from office several weeks before, was present early, but left prior to the meeting being called to order. After he left, it was discovered he crossed his name and the name of Rosemary Murtha out of the Membership Book without comment or explanation.

After opening words by Tom, the business portion of the meeting opened at approximately 11:30 a.m.

The members present discussed the advantages of uniting the Fellowship with the Unitarian Universalist Association in Boston, Massachusetts. The following resolution was moved by Bud Rue, seconded by Deborah Lazarus, and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, That the executive committee shall be and hereby is empowered to take whatever steps are or may become necessary to affiliate the Upper Delaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship with with the Unitarian Universalist Association, and the Metropolitan New York District thereof.

It was speculated that the UUA annual "fair share" assessment to the Fellowship would initially be in the neighborhood of \$18.00 per member, part of which will cover costs of individual subscriptions to UU World magazine. The secretary stated two requirements for affiliation are adoption of By-Laws and incorporation.

Glenn Pontier explained the process of drafting and revisions to the By-Laws, a copy of which was attached to the Notice of Meeting, and is appended hereto. He said they were based on a model provided by district executive Howell Lind at a meeting of the Fellowship held in January. The only amendment to the draft was insertion of the words "Metropolitan New York" on line 33 of page one. The following resolution was moved by Glenn Pontier, seconded by Bud Rue, and unanimously approved:

DRAFT: 6/26/88
For Discussion Only

Upper Delaware
UU Fellowship

PROJECTED BUDGET OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
August 1988 - July 1989

<u>Present balance</u> (as of 6/15/88)	\$ 417.36
<u>Income (projected)</u> Donations	\$1,900.00
<u>Expenses (projected)</u>	
Heat and utilities	540.00
Speakers	600.00
Insurance coverage	150.00
Advertising	200.00
Postage	180.00
Paper	15.00
Photocopying	120.00
Thanksgiving	50.00
Coffee and supplies	100.00
Legal costs (incorporation)	250.00
U.U.A. dues	150.00
Misc. expenses	<u>100.00</u>
	\$2455.00

DEBORAH LAZARUS, Treasurer

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Discussion: Do we want to make charitable contributions?

If so, how much?

DL:tsr

Upper Dlaware Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Minutes, business meeting

Sunday, September 6, 1987

Present: Bud Rue, Tom Rue (secretary), Helen Sidwell

1. Treasurer's Report. Helen Sidwell reported that \$22.50 was collected this week in the tamborine; and \$2.50 coffee drum. There were no expenditures. Helen noted she thought it might be appropriate to have a separate person handle coffee money - apart from the general treasury, in order to avoid confusion. She reminded us she will be leaving in October and we will need a replacement Treasurer. Helen brought signature cards for United National Bank which she received from Ray Pontier; she will bring them back next week for signing when Tom Perry is present.

2. Program discussion. Shubert Frey of Port Jervis, noted peace activist and former pastor of the Hortonville Methodist Church, will speak on September 27 on world peace and economics. Helen Sidwell expressed an interest in sharing with us her perspectives of Alan Bloom's book, "The Closing of the American Mind".

[Editorial Note: It seems to be the concensus of the fellowship that we will attempt to engage a program schedule which is as varied as possible and not limit ourselves to one particular format, theme, or a narrow set of topics. Following worship service today, one first-time visitor remarked she had come because of a reference in a letter-to-the-editor to Quakerism. She said it had been her experience that Unitarians sometimes succeed in organizing pro-social community action or promoting constructive discussion, but their meetings are often not very "spiritual". Quakers, on the other hand, she said are known for their silent spiritual communion. She observed this morning's worship format was not particularly oriented toward spiritual matters, and wondered if future services might be more so. One possibility might be to schedule one Sunday per month for a more reflective open-topic service, where people may sit in silence or get up to speak briefly as moved upon or on such topics as concern them.]

Publicity. Several area papers published a letter to the editor this week, signed by the three officers, announcing the new fellowship. Bud Rue is also sending out a letter. A Women's Resource Center press release on domestic violence in Wayne County mentioning this morning's Unitarian service appeared Thursday in The River Reporter, but has not made it yet into the Independent or the Democrat. Presumably, when the article does run in those papers, the reference to today's speaking engagement will have been deleted.

Upper Delaware Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Minutes, Business meeting

Sunday, August 30, 1987

Present: Alix Perry, Tom Perry, Glenn Pontier, Rev. Ray
Pontier, Bud Rue, Tom Rue, Helen Sidwell, Tom Sidwell.

Treasurer's Report. Helen Sidwell reported that \$30 was collected this week in the tamborine; and \$2.86 in the coffee drum. There were no expenditures. It was resolved that people who submit receipts for expenses incurred on behalf of the fellowship shall be reimbursed by the Treasurer.

Meeting Quarters. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Fellowship shall pay Innisfree Corporation \$45.00 per month for use of the Recreation Hall meeting room, to cover its share of utilities.

Refreshments. We need a bigger coffee maker.

UUA Recognition. Ray Pontier said he spoke to a person at UUA Headquarters in Boston regarding official recognition of the Fellowship. He said he had been informed that a fellowship's "fair share" is generally considered to be about \$16.00 per person per year, but half that for a new fellowship. Benefits of recognition by UUA include financial aid for advertising, and leadership training.

VALLEY
THE UPPER DELAWARE/UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

On August 9, 1987 at 11:00 A. M. the Upper Delaware Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship held its first service of worship at Innisfree in Milanville, Pa. with 24 people in attendance. The Rev. Raymond J. Pontier led the service and spoke on the subject, "A Unitarian Universalist View of God." The service followed the following format:

Opening Words
Announcements
Readings
Offering
Sermon
Dialogue
Closing words

Several people expressed the desire to have a hymn or song included as part of the service.

Following the service, a brief business meeting was held;. The following people agreed to accept leadership responsibilities for the balance of 1987:

President - Tom Perry
Treasurer - Helen Sidwell (until October)
Secretary - Tom Rue
Sunday Program - Glenn Pontier and Tom Rue

The Rev. Pontier agreed to be the speaker through the month of August and also the first Sunday in September. He is also willing to lead a service and speak on one Sunday a month during the year -- probably the second Sunday of each month.

With thanks to Bud Rue, it was agreed to accept the invitation to meet at Innisfree for the immediate future. The possibility of meeting at the Arts Alliance or at the Ambulance Squad building in Narrowsburg will be explored, perhaps alternating meetings between Innisfree and Narrowsburg.

Special thanks were given to Alix and Tom Perry for their leadership and in getting out notices of meetings, as well as initial publicity; to Tom Rue for excellent publicity releases; to Bud Rue for the hospitality of Innisfree and preparing coffee; and to all those who shown and interest and attended meetings to make a UU Fellowship possible in this area.

Raymond J. Pontier
8/10/87