

February 13, 2023

The Program Council met in person and via Zoom on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 3:00PM

The floor was opened to ideas for attracting new members and re-branding ourselves as “The Place where....” These ideas can be fleshed out in the near future and Council members – and others – can volunteer their help.

\*Another program on Cycles of Life is beginning to take shape for next fall.

\*Monomoy Community Services offers programs to many students. Their pre-school program does not run during school vacations, offering us, perhaps, to an opportunity to offer the Fleck Room. This would bring in some money but also “publicize” ourselves. Our only contribution would be the use of the room.

\*Check with the COA to see if we could provide room for some of their programs.

\* Parenting classes? Or a Coffee and Kids program? Again, the room and perhaps refreshments, plus rental fees

\*Sponsorship of local Boy Scout programs. Requirements: sign the charter as a sponsor; provide a liaison from the Scouts to the Meeting House through a named “Youth Program;” provide a space for ceremonies (Sanctuary). Positives: Scouts are required to volunteer; rental of Sanctuary

\* Joint opportunities for Outreach and Social Justice. For example, use of outside sign boards and social media mention of collection of paper goods for Family Pantry which would happen here on a particular date. Another idea was helping with a beach cleanup day. A place for social justice –or other- Forums/speakers on various topics.

Minister’s Report: Tracy will promote the Common Read for late Spring. More info to come.

Social Activities: \*An April Pot Luck was suggested. \*Also perhaps offering a walk around town , followed by coffee – where, when, who still to be decided.

Worship: \*All Sunday services are set through the end of June

Membership: \*UU quotes still being researched and graphics being created to use in services and in the Meeting House.

Social Justice: \*Helping with Backpacks for J1 workers. We will collect items for these backpacks, and the Outreach for March will collect money for the purchase of bike safety items.

Music: \*Committee is planning two music events for the summer. Possibilities include a concert by a Swedish opera singer and a concert by two Berkley students, a vocalist and a guitarist.

