BUILDING OUR FUTURE

STEP BY STEP

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2014 SED CHALICE LIGHTER GRANT APPROVED!

The Southeast District Chalice Lighter Committee has chosen WUU as the grant recipient for the fall 2014 Chalice Lighter call. The precise amount of the grant will depend upon the amount raised in this upcoming call. Although we requested \$25,000, the calls during the past two years have raised between \$24,000 and \$27,000.

In the letter of October 2, 2014, Holly McKinney (Chair, SED Chalice Lighter's Committee) stated:

"Our Call Letter #162 will ask SED Chalice Lighters to publicize the call in their home congregations, with the aim of achieving your desired grant funding or better. We will not know the precise amount until about one month after the call end date, which will be noted on the call letter (probably December 15)."

Contact Wayne Moyer if you are interested in becoming a Chalice Lighter to help other UU congregations throughout the UUA's Southeast District

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS

On Sunday, October 12, a covenant was made between Members and Friends of the Congregation and Capital Campaign Visiting Stewards. A training session for the Stewards took place that afternoon with Bill Clontz, our UUA Consultant.

A BuildingOur Future Capital Campaign Brochure has been prepared which provides information that will give you more background on our expansion project and assist you in determining your gift to the Capital Campaign. Please pick up your brochure in the WUU narthex this Sunday so that you can review the material before you are contacted by a Visiting Steward. Decide what is affordable and feels right for you. Your visit with a Steward is a very important part of our campaign and will be helpful to you in preparing the gift form which your Visiting Steward will bring to the meeting. When your Visiting Steward calls, please plan a mutually convenient time and place to meet together (30-45 minutes) to have an honest, direct and private conversation.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GALA NOVEMBER 8 - HELLENIC CENTER - 6-9 PM

Please join us for the Capital Campaign Gala! This gift to our members and friends made is possible by the Chalice Lighter Grant. There is no charge to attend. We'll celebrate our decision to move forward with building expansion as well as those gifts already received. **Please RSVP** by Sunday, October 19. Contact Ellyn in the office at 220-6830 or email office@wuu.org.

PHASE 1 ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY

An archeological survey is proposed on portions of WUU tracts where construction may take place. Archaeological & Cultural Solutions, Inc. will conduct the survey this fall before final architectural design begins. The study includes shovel holes on a 50 ft. grid looking for any artifacts from prehistoric, Native American, and early European settlement periods.

BUILDING OUR FUTURE TIMELINE

Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

Congregational Meetings: Shown in Blue

Steps beyond Stage 1 are contingent on results of Stage 1

2013 STAGE 1 EXPLORATION

2013 STAGE 1 **EXPLORATION** Board charges Building our Future lune July 7 Kickoff Sunday July-Sept Visioning Circles Oct. 20 **Congregational Informational Meeting** Oct. 21 **Evening Information Session** Congregational Meeting & Vote on proceeding through reminder of Stage I Nov 17 Preparation of architect selection process Nov Issuance of Request for Architectural Service Proposals Dec 2014 Receiving of proposals, interview architects, recommend architect to board Jan Feb Announcement of Architect Selection Feb Initiation of architect/congregant focus meetings Congregational Work Session on Building Program Mar Master Plan Design Studies Apr May Presentation & Review of Master Plan June-July Program Opportunity Sessions with congregants July Fundraising Feasibility Study & Report Jul-Aug Adjustment of Phase 1 scope as needed per above Report Board development of proposal for adjusted scope for congregational vote Aug Sept 14 Informational session on final Phase 1 of Master Plan Congregational Vote on proceeding with Phase 1 of Master Plan Sept 21 STAGE 2 **FUNDRAISING** Capital Campaign commencement WE ARE HERE Oct Nov Negotiation of Agreement with architect for remainder of design work Final Design Phase commencement: Details of design are decided & drawn Dec 2015 January Capital Campaign conclusion Adjustment of Phase I scope as needed by Capital Campaign results Feb Feb Final Design Documents to Board, then Presentation to Congregation Selection of Building Contractors to bid for construction March April Bidding for construction Negotiation of construction contract with selected bidder May STAGE 3 CONSTRUCTION Commencement of Construction June 2016 April Building ready for occupancy!

IT HAPPENS ONCE A GENERATION OR TWO: AFFIRMING & ENABLING OUR VISION, BUILDING OUR FUTURE

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