

# Good News



from the **Northwest Region**  
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*The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a means of clear communication that helps unify the ministries of the Northwest Region.*

If you would like to submit something for the next issue, the due date for articles is January 1st. Email your article to me at: [debcris1952@webband.com](mailto:debcris1952@webband.com)

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## *Heart Notes*

From your Northwest Regional Chairperson, Philip Arthur Zemke

### *Beloved Friends of the Northwest,*

The season of harvest and autumn has come for its stay in the Northwest. I love this season so much that I painted my first bicycle orange and black so I could have autumn all the year round. The crispness of the season, the call to harvest, and perhaps the anticipation of the approach of the innerness of winter, all set the tone for a burst of energy to set things in Divine Order. As we are preparing for our harvest of Thanksgiving, and our season of light, I send my blessings to each of you that this season be the most fruitful and illuminant that you have ever known.

Charles Fillmore, our Unity fellowship co-founder, spent his youth in a Chippawa first American village in Minnesota. He would have witnessed and perhaps participated in the Harvest Moon Thanksgiving celebration of NIKIMO. Nikimo is the gifting of abundance by persons and families to those who have a need for the gift. This year round activity in any First American community was lavishly demonstrated at the season of harvest from the gardens, forests, and streams. In this spirit I would like to appreciate

those who have as individuals and ministries given gifts of financial support for the works of our region. And for those who successfully created our Spring Conference and the Crystal Mountain Retreat let us say thank you. So many create our regional dynamic throughout the year; our bookkeepers, those who create and mail our newsletters, the Regional Board, our Licensed Teacher and Regional Representatives, our Youth Education staff, our Earth Care Team, all who make the gift of time and talent available to us. Thank you.

I am remembering to remind us that Rev. Anna Joy Grace will present her Healthy Congregation Workshop as the Fall Leadership Training at the Kent, Washington Unity church on October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Call Kent (thank you Kent community) to receive details on how you may be part of the exchange of this gift of fruitful information for your community.

A Resource Directory that will let us know of the talents and gifts of all the creative individuals in our Region, those who have gifts of wisdom and willingness to share, is coming along. You will be

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receiving a call soon to ask for your information to be included in the Directory. I can only imagine the surprise we will realize when we see how much talent and wisdom is available to us as a Regional community.

The Earth Care Team, which originated in the Northwest Region, has now been joined to the International Association Spiritual Social Action dynamic. The Northwest Regional work has been taken up in two to three other regions and in Canada. As a member of that team I have recently been asked to provide information and support by our Bozeman, Montana Interfaith Association to begin "Greening" the churches in Bozeman. This is a great work that really puts feet to our prayers. I am reminded that in *Christian Healing* Charles Fillmore wrote that, "We are to speak the words of truth to the minerals, plants, and animals, as well as to each other." The organic spirit of nature is lifted up when we use our intention of spiritual harmony as a reverent communion with all our world. The Earth Care Team has created a draft of a Declaration statement that illuminates where we are willing to take our stand with the environment. Where our prayers find our feet

standing. We are asking that you read this Declaration and provide feedback about its spirit of intent and wording. We propose to have the Declaration before our region at the Spring Conference at Menucha for adoption. The draft declaration is as follows:

We declare there is an ethic for our relationship with all Earth creation. Our conscience reveals all of creation is connected as one. We are to interact with harmony and respect with all of creation. All voices of creation are equally important and must be heard. We declare our covenant with God to walk upon the Earth for the greatest good of all Creation.

Thank you one and all for the Spirit of good and grace that you are. Thank you for bringing the gift of your life to us in this time when your unique gift is what we are all seeking. Be blessed in the celebration of your harvest and light as we go together to sing the praise of creation and creator. We are truly creating a world of purpose and love as one. Our God-centered lives transform the world for everyone.

Blessings of Love and Joy to you,  
Philip



Please mark your calendars now!  
NW Unity Regional Retreat at Crystal Mountain  
August 21st-24th 2008

Featuring Rev. Richard Levy - Folk Singer, David Roth  
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Come join the summer fun and connect with the regional  
Unity community.

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# Regional Appreciative Inquiry Summit

By Barbara Wilson, Regional Representative

## *Dear Friends in Unity,*

Anna Joy Grace, Marilyn Muehlbach and Barbara Wilson represented the Northwest Region at the Regional Appreciative Inquiry Summit held September 4-6 at Unity Village. This summit heralds a new day for amazing partnerships between our region and the other regions and our Association home office.

The regional summit will impact our region in many ways. Two important ways are:

1. A closer collaboration with the Association of Unity Churches International and other regions.
2. A stronger region—structurally, organizationally, and a stronger communication with the churches in our region.

The list of initiatives is shown below, followed by contact information for each. You are invited to participate in any of these as an individual.

Our regional board will be considering overall ways our region can connect with/collaborate with our Association of Unity Churches International. Please contact them with your ideas and input. Please give this information to everyone in your ministry you think would be interested. The more widely we inform people, the more we can engage our energy and creativity.

In appreciation for Unity,  
Anna Joy Grace  
Marilyn Muehlbach  
Barbara Wilson

## Summit Initiatives

1. **Glue Team** (Reinhold Schieber, convener). Purpose: How to connect together on a continuing basis. Action: Reinhold will coordinate the initiative teams for opportunities to network and work together.

2. **Sacred Summits** (Bob Fortner, convener). Purpose: Creating sacred spaces. Action: Will have planning session October 30 at the SE Region conference with presentation to LUTs in the SE Region in January 2008.

3. **Healthy Leadership** (Anna Joy Grace, convener). Purpose: to assure that leadership functions in integrity (ethical and accountable) at all levels. Action: Plan to research scope of problem, develop programs and services, recommend upgrades to systems. Will have monthly bridge line meetings to develop embryo plan by June 2008; 3-5 year project.

4. **Regional Leadership** (Barry Vennard, convener; Karen Tudor, presenter). Purpose: to develop a pilot project for paid regional staff to coordinate services, develop and provide training and support for new and existing ministries, transitional consulting. Action: Four regions in the group will each pilot within their region; target one pilot program within one year.

5. **Holocracy Initiative** (Gary Simmons, convener; Susan Beck presenter). Purpose: To develop a delivery system for programs that transform the way of being with each other, integrating dynamics of leadership and organizational development. Action: Will require

some training. Want to communicate with other teams to be in alignment.

6. **Faith Alive** (Charline Manuel, convener; Judi Venturini, presenter). Purpose: To establish a network for compassionate works, e.g. clean water, food and education for children around the world. Action: Team has connected with Spiritual Social Action Team, are revisiting previous survey, and plan a web site and resource base; will develop a brochure prior to the 2008 convention.

7. **Spanish Communication System** (Norberto Jiminez, convener). Purpose: to make all materials available electronically in Spanish from the home office. Action: The task team will work through 2008 to identify individuals to translate materials and name a team translator for the year. Bridge line calls monthly to identify translation needs.

8. **Leading Edge** (James Trapp, convener). Purpose: to develop and refine enlightened leadership program by field testing a pilot organizational and leadership model. Action: Will partner with regions to launch a pilot project over a 3-year period; target churches of different sizes. Launch pilot by March 2008.

9. **Greening of Unity Campaign** (Tom Catlin, convener) Purpose: to encourage ministries to go green and minimize environmental impact. Action: Plan to request a workshop forum at June 2008 convention; target 75% green ministries by 2012. (Note: will also connect with Spiritual Social Action Team working on a greening project.)

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**10. Share Your Genius, "Mining Gold"** (Beth Head, convener; Susan Eng Poole, presenter). Purpose: To design web exchange for easy access to cutting edge resources, ideas and programs. Action: Meeting by email to identify and gather resources; will promote and gather additional resources at 2008 convention.

**11. Diversity Position Development Team** (Sarah Byrd, convener/presenter). Purpose: to ensure regional inclusivity, develop awareness programs and initiatives, and create and facilitate diversity trainings. Action: Will initiate in SCUCA, inviting people from diverse backgrounds to create a development team by December. Create a budget proposal for a paid position by August 2008; create and facilitate diversity trainings by October 2008.

**12. Emerging Leaders** (Jen Shilen, convener/presenter). Purpose: To serve the 11-35 age group. Action: provide continual support of mentors and encouragement for this group that has dropped away from church involvement. Developing a right of passage program for ages 11-14 in Sacramento, January to June 2008.

**13. Supporting Leaders** (Linda Lowery and Alberta Boccaleoni, conveners; Linda Foreman, presenter). Purpose: to provide transformative centers and structures. Action: Identify what constitutes healthy leaders, ministries, congregants. Presenting pilot program at GLURC in October, calling for leaders who have been through a personal journey; connect with mentors; outreach to help new spiritual leaders.

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## News From The Prosperity Task Team

*Changes in Leadership  
Keepers of the Light Program  
Beginning New Prayer Project  
Prosperity Ideas for  
Your Church to Use*

After three years of so ably leading the Prosperity Task Team, Rev. Georgie Richardson has stepped down as chairperson, while still coordinating the dynamic Keepers of the Light Program. Ann Armstrong, LUT from Unity of Salem, assumed leadership of the Team. Other members are: Donna Smith, Rev. Cheryl Rohret, Diana Moskal, and Karen Breen-James. We look forward to being a vehicle for energizing the prosperity in the Northwest Region.

The Keepers of the Light program is alive and thriving. Georgie Richardson reports that there are 57 Keepers in 30 ministries praying for Prosperity for themselves, their church and the Northwest Region. A Keeper wrote that she especially enjoys Georgie's wonderful weekly inspirational messages and greatly appreciates her commitment to the program. If you would like to learn more about the Keepers of the Light program contact Rev. Georgie Richardson at [blessyourheart44@aol.com](mailto:blessyourheart44@aol.com).

The current Prosperity Task Team has initiated a new project. It consists of praying for each Unity church or ministry during the coming year. A letter is sent to the minister or spiritual leader the month before their designated week. It reminds them that prosperity includes inspired leadership,

harmonious relationships, increased finances, vibrant programs and enthusiastic congregations. Members of the Prosperity Task Team, as well as Keepers of the Light, will be praying for two ministries each week. We hope that you will be looking forward to the week that your ministry will be held in prayer and invite your congregation to be receptive to the blessings that will surely follow. Let us hear from you about your experience with this project.

Donna Smith, member of the Prosperity Task Team from Unity of Roseburg, shared some ideas her church has implemented to energize the idea of Prosperity. "Each month I put the Monthly Keepers Affirmation in the bulle-

tin. The congregation says the affirmation together and I invite them to take it with them and make it a part of their daily spiritual practice. Every Sunday we light 7 Keepers of the Light candles, including one for the children. Also I framed the goals and duties of the Keepers, as well as the beautiful Keepers logo, for everyone to see."

How do you energize Abundance and Prosperity in your church? Let me know so that we can share ideas with others in the region. You can contact me at [unityonthehill@aol.com](mailto:unityonthehill@aol.com) (attn. Ann).

Abundant Blessings to you all!  
Ann Armstrong LUT  
Unity of Salem

### Classes & Events In the Northwest Region

**Oct. 26 & 27 Leadership Training: Healthy Congregations,** presented by Rev. Anna Joy Grace Ph.D.

Sponsored by the Northwest Region at the Kent Church

**March 29, 2007 Healthy Talk Decision-making,** presented by Janet Rhodes, licensed teacher  
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Do you know about a Unity training, workshop, SEE In the Field, or other event of interest to congregants, ministers and/or teachers? Please send information to me at the contact email or the address below. Keep in mind that the newsletter comes out quarterly in January, April, July, and October.

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## From the Desk of the Treasurer:

Our regional Unity retreat was a wonderful time and a good opportunity to reconnect. Although last year Fort Worden was a good time, it turned out to be a financial deficit through misunderstandings of their rules about reservations. The good news is that this year the retreat made a profit as it did in previous years. So things are looking up and our finances are on track. Specifics of financial information will be available online.

Our wonderful bookkeepers, Bruce and Beverly have asked that you use the reimbursement form he designed to request payment. I want to remind you that if you need a copy, you can contact me at [ingetar@pacinfo.com](mailto:ingetar@pacinfo.com), or call me at 541-343-4181, or Bruce at [templintax@comcast.net](mailto:templintax@comcast.net). That request form, accompanied by receipts, comes to me for approval, and I send it to Bruce for payment. If you send it to my home address, that will expedite matters: Rev. Inge Tarantola, 34801 Matthews Rd, Eugene, OR 97405. That address is also on the request form.

Now it is time to shift gears into fall, get ready for the holidays and make plans for Menucha April 21-24. The leadership will also be working on the budget for the coming fiscal year, so look for further information as soon as it is available online and in the next issue. It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom and we gratefully accept.

God's richest blessings,  
Inge Tarantola

Save the Date!  
**April 21-24, 2008**

NW Regional Conference  
Menucha Conference Center

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—Charles Fillmore

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I read about The Unity Radio Hour in the Unity Church of Olympia's newsletter as well as their prayer partner program with Unity of New Zealand for this year's International World Day of Prayer! They are also healing and rebuilding after a fire in the youth area of their building. Check out their website at [www.unityofolympia.org](http://www.unityofolympia.org) and read Rev. Anna Joy Grace's blog for an update on the progress!

Consider adding me to your newsletter mailing so I can keep up-to-date on what's happening at your church. My address is:

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Blessings,  
Debbie

# Licensed Unity Teacher News

By Janet Rhodes, Licensed Unity Teacher Representative

It's fall, my favorite time of year! I love the cool days, and as a youngster, I loved going back to school. I still love learning. That's probably a major reason that I'm a licensed teacher, helping to ensure that others have the opportunity to learn.

Recently, I was talking with a friend about how thankful I am that Unity was there when I was ready to make some serious changes in my life. When I look back to where I was then, I am so thankful to be where I am now!

As teachers in ministry, we are providing others with the opportunity to learn an understanding of spiritual principles and skills that empower them to grow.

## New Licensed Teacher

In September, the Unity Center of North Spokane recognized Danna Zahller for receiving her LUT credentials.

Congratulations, Danna!

## Active/Inactive/Eligible to Teach SEE classes?

Lately I've been involved in some discussions on licensed teacher "status" and how *active* and *inactive* are defined. In part, this discussion started because it seemed that different people used the terms in differing ways.

According to Shirley Kennedy, the licensed teacher coordinator, at the Association of Unity Churches International headquarters office (the Association):

- ❖ You are an active licensed teacher if the Association has received a completed licensed teacher card that is signed by their minister. This card is the violet card that comes in the mail every fall. You must be actively involved in the ministry.
- ❖ You are an inactive licensed teacher if the Association has not received a completed and signed licensed teacher card each year (that is, you are inactive until they receive a completed and signed card).
- ❖ You are eligible to teach SEE courses for credit if you are an active teacher with up-to-date post-graduate credits. When Unity Institute receives course completion forms from your students, they will check with the Association's Education Department to learn if your credits are current.

## Prayer Team for Licensed Teachers?

One of the ideas that came out of the licensed teachers meeting in May was creating prayer support for the teachers in our region. Two ideas we discussed were to create a chaplain for licensed teachers and/or to have prayer partners.

Another idea that has come up is to have a prayer team for licensed teachers.

Would you be interested in being on a licensed teacher prayer team?

If we establish a prayer team, would you contact the team for confidential prayer support?

Please contact Janet or Diana to let them know your thoughts.

## Highlight on Our Licensed Teachers

What are you doing as a licensed teacher? Have you developed an interesting workshop or class? Are you serving in an alternative ministry?

Send your information to me and I will publish it in the newsletter and on the licensed teacher web page on the Northwest Region's website. Photos depicting your work would be a great addition.

## News from Association Head Office

Here is some news from Shirley Kennedy, licensed teacher coordinator at the Association's headquarters in Lee's Summit.

- ❖ The latest version of the Licensing For Teachers booklet is on-line at [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org). Click on

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## Unity Earth Care Northwest

*The Earth Care Team envisions all Unity ministries, collectively and individually, responsibly caring for God's Creation through cooperative prayer, thought, and action.*

### Thanksgiving Prayer

For each new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food,  
For love and friends,  
For everything Thy goodness sends.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

### Fruits of the Work – Responding to Climate Change at Unity of Beaverton, OR

The Unity Social Consciousness in Action group at Beaverton is the umbrella group for environmental, social justice, and peace activities that emerge within their spiritual community.

With an initial focus on climate change, they began by showing the film *An Inconvenient Truth* and studying a course on global warming developed by the Northwest Earth Institute in Portland. The group has completed energy audits of the church facility and several homes, and is now preparing for an “energy audit challenge” within their community.



This fall's programs began in September with a showing of the film *Who Killed the Electric Car?*, complete with demonstrations of an electric car and a Prius hybrid car, and a talk about the effects of transportation by a member of Al Gore's global warming initiative. Upcoming topics include how to generate only “One Can of Garbage a Year!” and Deep Ecology.

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Visit our webpage at [www.unitynwregion.org](http://www.unitynwregion.org)  
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### More Fruits – Promoting Sustainability at Unity World Healing Center, Lake Oswego, OR

Every other Wednesday, the group meeting at Unity World Healing Center is learning about Earth stewardship. They are showing and discussing television programs and films covering topics such as climate change, sustainable industries, peak oil, and population growth. Surprisingly inspiring was the film *The Power of Community*, about Cuba's response to the cut off of oil when the Soviet Union collapsed in 1989.

This summer, the Lake Oswego group promoted the international 7-7-07 Live Earth Concert with a local broadcast of the event at a community park, followed by a live band grand finale. Co-sponsors of the day-long celebration included the City of Lake Oswego and local members Daniel Crothers and Jean Baumann. Jim Newcomer, co-leader of the Unity group with Daniel, writes, “We publicized the event several Saturdays in advance at the local Farmers Market, using a Mercedes-Benz smart car provided by a local dealer to draw a crowd. Plus, our members drove four Prius hybrid cars in the local July Fourth Parade to publicize the concert. We drew a few hundred people besides the hundreds who watched during the market hours, and several local green businesses also announced their services.”



Promoting Live Earth Concert with Smart Car

## Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

### YOU Retreat

Friday, October 19, 2007  
Youth of Unity Retreat at Camp Waskowitz, North Bend, WA - October 19-21

### Fall Unitreat

Friday, November 09, 2007  
Cispus Learning Center - Randle, WA November 9th-11th  
Unitreat is a spiritual adventure - a quest, an opportunity to experience aspects of our God selves as an emerging teen.

### Youth Team Conference

Friday, January 25, 2008  
Youth Team Conference Huston Center, Goldbar, WA

### YOU Rally

Friday, April 18, 2008  
Youth of Unity Retreat at Cispus Learning Center in Randle, WA - April 18th-20th

*Check the website at [www.unitynwregion.org](http://www.unitynwregion.org) for more information on all youth ministry activities*

**F**uturist Eric Hoffer says, "In times of change, the learners will inherit the earth, while the learned find themselves beautifully equipped to deal with a world that no longer exists."



This August thirty-three NGUers from the West coast gathered at Cape Lookout State Park in Tillamook, OR for a powerful weekend of laughter, camping, fellowship, discussion, and fun on the beach as we explored the theme "The Power of the Journey" and the Twelve Powers. This October about twenty NGUers migrated to Cispus Learning Center in Randle, WA to delve into the theme "Awakening." This weekend of retreat and introspection was given shape by an experience on the challenge course, sharing in small groups, workshops, some time in the silence, and an inclusive community.

To hear more about "Awakening" and "The Power of the Journey" visit [www.unitynwregion.org/ngu.aspx](http://www.unitynwregion.org/ngu.aspx) and while you are there take time to learn about the spring NGU event "Spirit in Action."



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*Did you know that the Northwest Region currently has three students in the new Ministerial program—two full time who have both served the region as Alternate Regional Representatives for LUTs and one part-time? We've asked the full-time students to give us an update, along with information on how we can support students in the program.*

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It is an exciting time to be a student at Unity Institute! In a student meeting just this week, Dean Ken Murdock expressed his excitement about the future and the quality of educational opportunities that are being created. It truly feels like we are on the precipice of a giant leap in consciousness that is taking place.

Did you know that the catalog for the Unity Library and Archives is now online? We can actually search the catalog from off campus, and even order books from the catalog of other libraries! It is not only our educational offerings in the midst of transformation; the entire system that supports ministerial education is changing, too. There is something truly energizing about living in the question while being surrounded by an organizational structure that is living there, too. It's a very dynamic process that speaks volumes to Unity's continuing commitment to make a positive impact on the world in our lifetime.

And in the midst of this, we are finding that as the program expands the financial costs have increased exponentially, leading to a temporary gap in financial support for the students. Until the program is accredited, much of the financial aid available to most graduate students is not available to us. Those of us in the Master of Divinity program are looking at approximately \$25,000 in tuition and fees plus the cost of books over the next several years. The increased tuition coupled with the increase in the length of the program (along with such things as rent and health insurance) means resources are stretched beyond the current capacity for many students.

As we shared this story with several of you, the question we are asked most often is whether we have a list of ways to financially support students through this process. The institute does accept donations designated for a scholarship fund that is distributed based on expressed financial need. You can also offer scholarships directly to students you wish to support. There are also creative ways to impact a student's life—Patty arrived here with a Gift Certificate for the Unity Village Bookstore from Christ Light Unity. The possibilities are unlimited.

We know that this is ours to do, and are very grateful for (and excited about) the opportunity to be here. Our true request is your prayer support for the students, Unity Institute, and the Unity Movement as we stand in knowing that together we are setting the foundation for a world-class educational institute at Unity Village.

Blessings,

Patty Williams & Carrie Kenyon

PS For more information regarding student needs you can contact Karon Shewmaker at Unity Institute (816-251-2070 or [ShemakerKS@unityonline.org](mailto:ShemakerKS@unityonline.org)).

## Mailing List Update

Your board of directors is working on getting a single, good mailing list together — rather than having multiple lists developed by a number of different people. Please be patient with us as we do this work. You may hear from us asking which of the 2 or 3 addresses we have is the correct one for you! For updates or additions to the current list, please contact Tammi at Unity Church in Lynnwood at [unity\\_admin@unityinlynnwood.org](mailto:unity_admin@unityinlynnwood.org)

Many blessings,  
NW Region board of directors

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Programs, then click on Education-Adult, LUT. Scroll down the page to the 10-page booklet.

- ❖ If you have questions about your Post Grad Credits, contact Marti Hayes, Education Department Assistant at 816.524.7414.
- ❖ Need post-graduate credits? Unity ministers and licensed Unity teachers may apply for six units of post-graduate education credit for graduate courses taken on campus or online. Complete and return the Association's form (find it at [www.unity.org/education/PGform.pdf](http://www.unity.org/education/PGform.pdf)).

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## *A Word From Our Regional Representative*

*Dear Friends,*

It's been an extremely busy summer, especially with the planning and preparation for the Regional Appreciative Inquiry Summit at Unity Village September 4-6. (Please be sure to read the brief summary report that is included in this newsletter.)

So for this newsletter I shall be pretty brief.

❖ I invite you to be fully present to the initiatives that came out of the regional summit and add your gifts and insights to one or more of them.

❖ By the time you get this newsletter, the fall leadership training on October 26-27 will probably be past. I hope to get some follow-up information to you by e-mail, website and/or this newsletter. (This is a regional post-it note for myself. If you don't see something, remind me!)

❖ The guidelines for the ministerial education scholarship offered by the region will change due to significant changes in the educational program. (See Patty Williams letter with regards to the financial needs of our ministerial students.) The board is forming a scholarship task team to

propose a new scholarship program through which the region as a whole can offer financial support to students. We will keep you informed on our progress through this newsletter and our website. I encourage you to consider what you and your ministry can do now to assist the education of our future ministerial leadership.

I am still learning my job as your regional representative. Your questions and requests by phone, letter and e-mail powerfully help my education so don't hesitate to contact me.

As a reminder, I am no longer associated with Unity in the Olympics in Port Angeles. Please use my personal residence phone, address and e-mail. They are:

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May your holidays be a holy time of joy and peace!  
Barbara

### **Details, Details, Details!!!**

Your help is needed –

If you were ever on the Regional Board and have records of old Regional policies that might still be useful....

Or if you are in a position of needing Regional policies to help with the work you do in the Region...

We are in the process of establishing a Northwest Regional Policy Manual !

Please send the information or request *North to Alaska* to Rev. Scott McClintock at

[revscott@gci.net](mailto:revscott@gci.net)



*Sixteen churches were represented at Rendezvous, the first summer gathering of our regional YOU. A total of 92 people attended the first regional YOU gathering in Oregon! It was wonderfully successful in every way. Thanks to LeRoy White for joining our youth in this new event. He will also be present at fall's retreat at Camp Waskowitz.*





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***Statement of Values***

As members of the Northwest Region we commit to:

- Creating spiritual community through education and practice of the Unity teachings and principles
- Experiencing unity in diversity as God in expression
- Practicing innovation and creativity in all that we do
- Healing and transforming through the power of love, prayer and Spirit
- Supporting our children and youth on their spiritual journey.

***Mission Statement***

We love, respect and support each other as we grow and empower our ministries.

***Vision Statement***

We are a community of powerful, prosperous and successful people committed to Unity ministry.

As a region we pray together, reach out, and care for each other.

Through the sharing of resources and information, and the education and training of our leadership, we encourage ministries to thrive.

We utilize systems, processes, and technology to enhance our capacity to minister with ease and flexibility.

In God, we enthusiastically do together more than we can do alone.

**We Offer You:**

- Professional peacemaking training
- Our Spring Regional Conference
- Paid Youth Education Consultant who presents workshops/ conferences and trainings within our region
- Paid Youth of Unity (YOU) Consultant who presents rallies, workshops/ conferences and trainings within our region
- Summer Camp for youth and teens
- A Regional Representative
- A Licensed Teacher Representative
- Two SEE scholarships towards becoming a Licensed Unity Teacher
- One regional MEP scholarship awarded to second-year Student
- Regional Trainings for church boards
- Yearly Family Summer Retreat at Crystal Mountain in August