



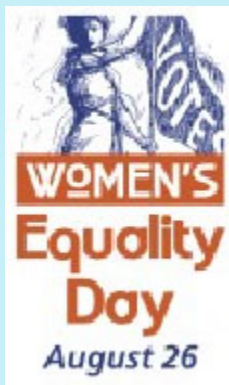
Millions long for
immortality who don't know
what to do on a rainy
afternoon

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Solitude of Self

"Solitude of Self" is the name of a speech Elizabeth Cady Stanton gave before the U. S. Senate Committee on Woman Suffrage, February 20, 1892. This phrase is also in the title of Vivian Gornick's recently published book, Solitude of Self: Thinking about Elizabeth Cady Stanton.

Gornick herself a feminist writer and thinker of some experience began her career as a columnist for the Village Voice in the 1970s reporting on the early women's liberation movement.

This book about Stanton and feminism's long journey and the story of Sonora Babb's long wait for publication are explored within the broad topic of feminism in UU Women's Connection's summer newsletter, Voices of Women due out in early September. It will be posted on www.uuwomensconnection.org

To receive information about membership email connections@uuwomensconnection.org

Something for Book Lovers

Minnesota Women's Press, Inc., is a communications company, whose mission is to promote communication by, about and among women in ways that create community, encourage

EVENTS

My Body: Live. Love. Laugh.

The UU Women's Connection and the women of Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Springfield proudly present:

~2006 Lake Geneva Fall Conference~
MY BODY: LIVE. LOVE. LAUGH.

November 10-12, 2006

George Williams College Retreat Center
Williams Bay, Wisconsin

Conference participants will employ various techniques to explore, sanctify and connect mind, body and spirit.

Keynote speaker: [Judy Piazza](#) will help create a welcoming and healing space for participants. A talented performer and teacher, Judy will use various musical styles, tone, voice, drum, didgeridoo, guitar and mountain dulcimer to connect us to one another and the elemental rhythm of the universe.

WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHT: Brenda Wade and Buffy Lael, ALUUC CUUPS coordinators, will present a workshop entitled:

"Every New Beginning is Some Other Beginning's End...The Transitions of Womanhood."

ABOUT US

The Unitarian Universalist Women's Connection, successor organization to the CMWD-UU Women's Federation has been transforming and re-visioning since spring of 2003. We have built on our 43 years of service to the district. Our new name, UU Women's Connection, represents our mission to connect women within the district, to stimulate interest in aspects of the Unitarian Universalist movement and concerns of the world, and to serve as liaison between women of the district and the larger UU movement.

We continue to provide two fine retreats yearly as well as other complimentary programming within the district. We provide assistance to local churches with programming ideas such as the Margaret Fuller Conversations program or Project Dirty Laundry. We publish a quarterly newsletter for individual members and units, and support organizations such as Illinois and Wisconsin RCRC, UUSC, Margaret Fuller Awards, Clara Barton Internship and Clara Barton Camp. We have increased conference scholarship, ministerial and other incentive programs making them available to many women in the Central Midwest District. The Women's Connection awarded its first grant at the end of 2005 and seeks to award more in the coming year.

The UU Women's Connection was incorporated on June 16, 2005 as a non-profit in the State of Illinois as the successor organization for the CMWD-UUWF. Now an official 501(c)(3) independent from, but related to the UUA, we continue to use and support Continental [UUWF](#) advocacy, grant and other outstanding programs for women and girls in the tradition of our Unitarian Universalist foremothers-- Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Margaret Fuller, Clara Barton

change and are grounded in a transforming feminist worldview.

A transforming feminist worldview celebrates, honors and promotes women's words, experiences and values in the belief that doing so is the foundation for individual, social and cultural transformation.

Based in St. Paul, MN, USA, Minnesota Women's Press, offers a fresh perspective on women's ideas and issues. For more information about Minnesota Women's Press retreats, book lists and other projects check this link:
<http://www.womenspress.com>

Got Logo ideas?

UU Women's Connection is accepting contributions of ideas which may be used as a logo for our organization. So...lean back, close your eyes, dream. What vision rises as you think about our network, our community, our web of district women? Who do you see? Where are we? Where are we going? What are we saying? Dreaming? Send your design drawings or direct your questions to connections@uuwomensconnection.org

Buffy and Brenda will discuss and celebrate women's rites of passage: first blood(puberty), handfasting (marriage), blessingway(giving birth), welcoming(baby), croning, and crossing over rituals. See [Prairie Wind CUUPS](#) for information about the rituals and other activities of this diverse and dynamic Pagan, Goddess, and Earth-centered spiritualities group.

Other workshops will include writing, drumming, dance, tone, nutrition, environment, sacred sex and much more.

Brochures for MY BODY will be available in mid September. If you have never attended this popular retreat on the shores of beautiful Lake Geneva, check this site for brochure, registration form and other conference information as it becomes available.

Plan to join us to celebrate our wonderous bodies...head to toe, inside and out...with love, humor and acceptance.

Clear, crisp air, rustling leaves, sunny blue sky and lake, moonlit nights, uplifting programming, new and long-time women friends await you there.

Want more information?
Contact Springfield Retreat Planers:
[Rhiannon Gurley](#)
or [Ceceilia Haasis](#)

Or Click on [ALUUC](#) for the latest conference info.

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and Olympia Brown.

UU Women's Connection Social Justice Granting Program

Build a community garden.
Campaign for a living wage.
Feed the hungry. Large or small, global or local; social action requires resources.

The UU Women's Connection (formerly CMWD-UUWF) wants to connect women of action to a community of resources and support. You see a need. You have an idea! You develop a plan of action. You have the energy, but not quite enough money to realize your plan.

The UU Women's Connection is making a call to the Central Midwest District for grant proposals to further social justice projects in the district. If you need seed money to initiate a project you envision, or if your project is already running, but requires more money, send a grant proposal to the UU Women's Connection or Email Program Councilor [Cheryl Springwood](#)

LATEST LINKS TO BE ADDED:

[National Women's History Project](#)

[Unitarian Universalist Association](#)

[Central Midwest District of the UUA](#)

[Religious Coalition For Reproductive Choice](#)

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