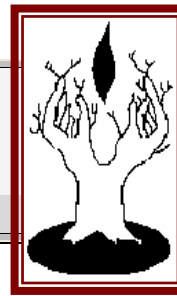


# UUMAC Daily

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## Today!!!

Dinner from 5:30 to 7:00 in the University Center

Opening Ceremony and Orientation 7-9 in the University Center

**Required for all parents and/or guardians of children and youth at UUMAC**

*in the Hurd Room*  
Children from nursery through 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 8:00 pm.

Tweens parent meeting (6-8 grade) – 8:20 pm

Teen parent meeting (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) – 8:40 pm

Night Owls at 9:00 pm in McShea

Vespers tonight at 10:00 pm in Kender Room at McShea

## Knitting At UUMAC!!!

Forgot your knitting needles? Looking for simple crafts to amuse the kids before dinner? *Jo Paoletti* will be trekking to the Michaels craft store in Quakertown after lunch on Monday and has room for 3

## Important phone numbers at UUMAC!!!

Director Kevin Miller's cell (301) 787-8290

(Alternate: 410-707-1871)

Assistant Director Abby Crowley's cell phone number: 202-409-5288

Campus Police (emergency) (610) 282-1100, ext. 1250

## WELCOME UUMACERS!!!

The hard work of planning and preparation is done, and we're ready for the fun to begin! As Noel Monardes' assistant last year, I observed that everything went **so** well, including the weather, and I'm hoping that this year will match last year's success. This is my 4<sup>th</sup> UUMAC and it quickly became a must-do event for my family. My wife Carla is Vespers Coordinator this year. Abby Crowley is this year's Assistant Director and is attending her 9<sup>th</sup> UUMAC. Her husband Ed will be the Children's Music Director.

I would first like to give a great big thank you to all the board members, staff members and friends who have helped to make this year's UUMAC possible. UUMAC is a participatory event and would not be possible without the efforts that this team has made – my heartfelt thanks goes to each and every one of them for efforts already made and those yet to be done – HUZAH! In fact, it is not too late to take part – there is a sign-up sheet for volunteer activities available outside the UUMAC Office in McShea.

I would like to ask that all UUMAC veterans make a special effort to welcome and make feel at home our newcomers. Try to recall the bewilderment (at least in my case) of your first UUMAC and trying to figure it all out – it basically took me all week. Toward that end Nina Lomax and others have arranged for host families for newcomers, but it is really a responsibility for each of us.

Thanks to our efforts last year, as one of two

test groups, we will be eating on real china using non-disposable silverware again this year. I would like to request that we be good citizens and be mindful about not throwing away any of the non-disposable tableware (this has been an issue for the university vis-à-vis the student body). Thanks again for speaking up and acting on this matter. AS A REMINDER, there were major renovations to the game room "THE DOG POUND" and many of us will be using the recently finished dorm "Welsb Hall". We need to be **respectful** of **ALL** the property. The university has made a point of asking for our cooperation in treating it with care and respect and keeping it neat.

Finally on a similar note, our community has gone to great lengths to prepare and provide policies for us to follow: UUMAC Community Policy, Youth Covenant and Tween Contract. I request that everyone read these documents in your packet (if you have not already done so). We live in an extremely litigious society and it could only take one mistake to end what has taken 25+ years to create.

I am excited about the all the opportunities we have this year to enjoy our community, to get to know each other better and to learn and grow together. Thank you for coming to UUMAC 2007!

*Kevin Miller, UUMAC '07 Director*

## Bloodmobile Coming on Thursday!!!

The UUMAC blood drive has returned this year—on Thursday afternoon during our and Carnival and Ice Cream Social. Locally there is a blood supply emergency currently, so the premature babies, accident victims, cancer patients and others who need blood will very much appreciate your gift. An appointment list, eligibility requirements, and preparation advice are posted on the wall of McShea, near the Off-Site trip lists, so please sign up if you

passengers. She'll be at breakfast and morning worship/talk, look for a red tank top and green UUMAC hat.

**UUMAC Youth Program!!!**

*Chris Buja, Coordinator*

The Youth-Adult Leadership Team is interested in any UUMACer who may be willing to share their experience and or knowledge on one of the following subjects: Life management, Youth Advocacy for Social Action, Sexual Identity, Addiction (behavior or substance). If appropriate, such life experiences could benefit the Youth program during the large group or small group sessions. Please see any member of the Youth-Adult Leadership Team, Youth: Ben Barrows, Nate Midgley, Julia Stratton, Adults: Chris Buja, Steve Treseler, Erinn Farver, Cynthia Rouillard.

would like to donate. Blood donors can donate as frequently as every 8 weeks. You can expect about 30 minutes of relaxation in the air-conditioned blood mobile bus, out in the McShea parking lot, and, of course, plenty of juice and cookies. If you have any questions, please find *Crafford Harris*, who will be coordinating the donors (or call him on his cell phone-- 484-896-8028).

**UUMAC Service Committee!!!**

The UUMAC Board voted to establish a standing committee responsible for managing fund raising for this year's service project and for selecting the service project for the upcoming year. The idea is to plan UUMAC service projects a year in advance, so that they can be approved by the community at the Annual Meeting, and to raise funds for the selected project during the UUMAC week.

The UUMAC '07 Service Committee is chaired by Crafford Harris; Trustees Pam Mann and Bill Stratton are also serving on the committee. This year's service project is an off-site activity on Tuesday afternoon to promote Seeds of Peace at the LEPOCO Peace Center.

Robin Slaw, our Children's Program Coordinator, is working with the committee to find ways of getting the UUMAC children involved. Look for their Seeds of Peace lemonade stand at Carnival, where you can quench your thirst and help the UUMAC children raise funds for our service project at the same time.

The UUMAC Service Committee will meet on Thursday night to select next year's project. Possible projects include raising money for UNAIDS, supporting American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, or making a community donation to Habit for Humanity. All ideas are welcome! Please submit your suggestions to Crafford by Thursday afternoon. *Bill Stratton, UUMAC President*

**Food and You at UUMAC!!!**

*Gail Compton* is the menu/food service liaison person. If anyone has any concerns, questions or compliments about the meals, you can see her during the week. She'll also find a way to post a written sheet for your feedback and requests.

**Afternoon Off-Campus Activities!!!**

Looking forward to having fun with other UUMACers on afternoon off-campus trips? All trips will leave from McShea Commons (where we had the Opening Ceremony). Trips will usually leave immediately after lunch, at 1:00 pm or a few minutes later. Exceptions are the Hawk Mountain Hikes and Seeds of Peace Service Learning trips on Tuesday and the rafting trip on Wednesday, which will all leave at Noon with box lunches, and the fruit-picking trip on Friday, which will leave after our Annual Meeting. Each trip will have a trip leader to coordinate the departure. Carpools are being arranged—a great chance to meet new UUMAC friends. Carpool lists, maps, directions, and trip leader names will all be on the back wall of McShea. Please don't take any maps and directions until departure time, and please return them after your trip. Only drivers should take maps and directions. If you decide not to go on a trip, please draw a line through your name on the trip list-- before departure time. If you are a driver and find that you cannot go, please speak with your trip leader well before departure time. If you have any questions, please talk with *Crafford Harris, Afternoon Off-Site Activities Coordinator*. If you can't find him, his cell phone number is 484-896-8028. Monday's trips are:

1. Swimming at Southern Lehigh Community Pool (Bring \$6 for seniors, \$8 for all others.)
2. Da Vinci Science Center (Bring \$6.95 per person over 3— we got the Group Rate).
3. Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary (Free)
4. Dutch Springs Outdoor Climbing Gym and Water Playground (Paid in advance with registration.)
5. Allentown Art Museum (Bring \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors 60+ and for students with valid ID, \$3.00 for children 6-12, free for 0-5).

**All the news that's fit to print!!!**

Deadline for submission to the UUMAC newsletter is 10:00 pm for the next day's edition. You may put it in the envelope hanging on the office door, or you may send it by e-mail to [tarauu@hotmail.com](mailto:tarauu@hotmail.com). Handing it to me is NOT a good idea. Neither is just telling me. *Tara Stephenson, newsletter editor*