

Community Ministry Advisory Committee

For Barbara Meyers' Ministry

June 5, 2005

AGENDA

Committee Input Requested

- **Opening**
- **Status of ministry since last meeting**
 - Education
 - *Caring Congregation*
 - First draft of training manual complete *
 - Recruited 6 Bay Area churches
 - 2 people with mental health experience each
 - Presentation at Palo Alto on “Caring for Difficult People” *
 - Took a UUA class for First Year Ministers – on-line portion
 - Took one-day intensive class on Public Ministry
 - Attended a workshop on “People of God and Mental Illness”
 - Gave presentation on mental health to Tri-Cities Ministerial Association *
 - Submitted proposal to teach at seminary again in 2006-07
 - Gave input to a forthcoming book on Community Ministry
 - Pastoral
 - Handling congregation’s pastoral care during parish minister’s sabbatical
 - Fairly large number of incidents so far – but handling it OK
 - Led Pastoral Associates monthly meetings and Training Session May 7
 - Continue to work with Reaching Across
 - Group attendance and participation
 - Meditation sessions 1 per month
 - Social Justice
 - MPUUC Mental Health Task Force constituted – 10 people *
 - Made presentations as Alameda Co. Anti-Stigma Speaker
 - Wrote letter on spending Mental Health Services Act \$
 - Helping to plan publicizing Anti-Stigma Speakers
 - My Op-Ed on Mental Health Stigma in May 12 Argus *
 - Joined *Not in Fremont* – Goal: to build our community into a safer and more welcoming place for all
 - Lobby Day in Sacramento. Learned how to lobby
 - Priestly
 - Gave a well-received worship service on “Lessons Learned on the Streets of the Tenderloin” on May 22 *
 - Collegial / Personal
 - Attended 3-day UU Ministers’ Retreat in San Juan Bautista
 - Named official liaison between Starr King School for the Ministry and the Pacific Central District chapter of UUMA

- Visited my brothers in Utah for 3 days
 - Liability insurance has been obtained from American Professional Association
 - Got a cable modem (Yea!)
 - Sometimes sluff-off on exercise
- **Upcoming activities**
 - Education
 - *Caring Congregation*
 - Ensure that trainers are named by participating churches before mid-June
 - Identify host church and set aside training dates
 - Review the training manual
 - Complete UUA class for First Year Ministers at General Assembly
 - Pastoral
 - Continue pastoral care in minister's absence (until Sept)
 - Continue work at Reaching Across
 - Planning to start new evening Mood Disorder group
 - Social Justice
 - Plan to propose mental health sub-group for *Not in Fremont*, and volunteer to chair it.
 - Continue to speak as Anti-Stigma Speaker and plan for publicity of the speaker's bureau program
 - Priestly
 - Lead worship services
 - July 24 (UU Theology)
 - October 9 (Wounded Healers)
 - Assist with worship services on July 3 and Sept 24
 - Collegial / Personal
 - Attend General Assembly in Dallas/Ft. Worth June 21-27
 - Will "Walk" in the Service of the Living Tradition
 - Attend day-long Zen Retreat at Faithful Fools on June 17
 - Get back to more regular exercise routine
- **Closing**