



News from Unity of Greater Cleveland

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Backpack Project 2009

During the month of August we will be collecting backpacks to be given to Mayfair Elementary School. This project is always a big success.

Bring your items to the church by Sunday, August 16. If you would like to help with the project, call **Rudi Barnes** at 216 751-1198.

From Our Minister

Keeping Your Commitments

Dear Friends,

After reading several items in the news spotlight dealing with commitment, and after reflecting on my own 30-year commitment to Unity ministry, I conclude that what commitment means on the deepest levels appears to be rising.

I tearfully watched Ryan O'Neal and his unwavering commitment to Farrah Fawcett in her last year, last months and last days. I observed her commitment to him and her noble facing of the relentless movement of cancer. They personified commitment, staying the course with God, overcoming obstacles.



This past June it was so moving for me to be with my Unity classmates as we all reflected on our 30-year commitments. Not one of us has had an easy journey, but after three decades there are still those devoted to serving God and fellow truth seekers.

Of course there were those who early on recognized a lifelong commitment to serving others was more than they bargained for in life, and they dropped away within a few years. There's one classmate who is dearly loved. She is crippled with Parkinson's Disease, but she carries on as a holy teacher of God.

Those dear ones and I know about commitment. Others, whether clergy or secular, do not.

The list of nationally known individuals breaking their commitments seems to be lengthening—from a prominent politician cutting her term short to a Congressman betraying his wife and family and constituents. We also hear of the father of eight who leaves his children and his wife for greater freedom and independence. He should [Continued on page 2]

From the Bookstore

The Art of Extreme Self-Care

The Art of Extreme Self-Care is a life-changing handbook by best-selling author Cheryl Richardson. It offers you twelve strategies to



change your life one month at a time. Designed as a practical action-oriented program, each chapter challenges you to

alter one behavior that keeps getting you in trouble.

This book is filled with personal stories of how Cheryl and others have learned to make the practice of extreme self care their standard for living. With chapters such as "End the Legacy of Deprivation" and "Does that Anger Taste Good," you will stop the endless cycle of self-betrayal and neglect that stems from daily violations of self-care. The **Art of Extreme Self-Care** is a sensible program that gives you the permission you need to dramatically upgrade your life.

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Visit the bookstore for all of your gift needs. The sale table is

now 65% off.
New Yoga Class in August

Jonathan Richardson begins a new eight-week Yoga class on Wednesday, August 26, at 6:30 p.m.

His current class continues through August 19, and all are welcome to join at any time.

Sports Memorabilia Show August 22 to Help Our Kids

By Freddy LaTorre, Member, Board of Advisors

We're excited about having a sports memorabilia show on Saturday, August 22, beginning from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Unity of Greater Cleveland. Come and find that special something for yourself or the perfect gift for that special sports fan you know.

There will be autographed items, such as 8x10 photos, baseballs, mini baseball bats, basketballs and footballs for purchase. There will also be other sports items to be raffled off. If you would be interested in selling any sports memorabilia, please let me know and we can set you up with your own table.

The proceeds are going to benefit our Children's Church, and we welcome your support. Volunteers—adults, Uniteens and Y.O.U.—are needed to make this a successful event. Please contact me at 216 253-1753, or email me at freddymack70@yahoo.com.

From Our Minister

[Continued from page 1] *have mindfully considered this before deciding to have children with his wife. Life presented him an enormous commitment, and he decided he no longer wants it.*

The immature know nothing of commitment and what it takes to stay the course, even when it's inconvenient, even when we would rather be elsewhere, even when we want to go outside the marriage vows and play. What would have happened if the Mom also wanted to go outside and play? Would their children have become wards of the state?

Staying the course is the road less traveled, and as Robert Frost so perfectly stated, "It has made all the difference, at the end of the day, at the end of the season, at the end of your life."

What will have made all the difference for you?

I remain committed to Spirit, to Principle, to you, to your family, to staying the course.

Loving you,



“A Healer’s Odyssey” on August 2

Join **Dr. Saul Shaye** for a powerful workshop, “A Healer’s Odyssey,” on Sunday, August 2, at 1:00 p.m. It is the story of his own spiritual transformation from atheist to spiritual healer. It is also an empowering and healing afternoon for everyone attending.



“Although I call myself a healer,” Dr. Shaye says, “this is a misnomer, as a healer is a conduit for Spirit to work through.” He gives full credit to God for each and every miracle he has witnessed. At the beginning of the workshop he gives a wellness lecture, “If you Want to Know about Health, Don’t Ask Your Doctor.”

In the workshop volunteers are used to demonstrate this healing gift while chronologically showing its unfolding. Some participants have seen a golden stream of light radiating from Dr. Shaye’s hands as he works.

Dr. Shaye will share how God awakened him through dreams and inner guidance to the awareness of his “gift” from 1973 to the present. He discusses numerous miraculous cases. Known for his down-to-earth style, Dr. Shaye’s experience and breadth of medical and scientific knowledge engages even the most skeptical attendees. He has presented his workshop to almost 200 Unity churches.

The workshop is offered in advance for \$20 or for \$30 at the door.

***Andrew Harvey**
Returns This November*

Unity of Greater Cleveland Volunteer & Staff Directory

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Sunday Service Time - 11:00 a.m. Children’s

Church, including the Nursery, Lightstreamers,

Uniteens, and Y.O.U. - 11:00 a.m.

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August 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "A Funny Thing Happened on My Way to Disprove God" (Dr. Saul Shaye) 1 pm - "A Healer's Odyssey" (Dr. Saul Shaye)	3	4	5 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service 6:30 pm - Yoga	6	7	1 / 8 10 am - Volun- teer Cleaning Crew
8 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Speaking Spirit." (Rev. Diana Repko)	10	11 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	12 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service 6:30 pm - Yoga	13	14	15
16 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Your Life's Chant" (Rev. Joan Gattuso)	17	18 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	19 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service 6:30 pm - Yoga	20	21	22 10 am - Volunteer Cleaning Crew 10 am - Sports Memorabilia Show
23 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Your Vibrational Field" (Rev. Joan Gattuso)	24	25 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	26 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service 6:30 pm - Yoga	27	28	29
30 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Can't Look to the Excess Anymore" (Rev. Joan Gattuso) 12:30 pm - Unexpected Income Meeting	31					



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For information on upcoming events: www.unitygreatercleveland.com

Dr. Saul Shaye, Rev. Diana Repko Join Rev. Joan in August

An eclectic threesome are the August Sunday presenters. **Rev. Joan Gattuso** is joined by **Dr. Saul Shaye** and **Rev. Diana Repko**. Make certain you hear them all.

August 2: "A Funny Thing Happened on My Way to Disprove God" (Dr. Saul Shaye). Guess what that was.

August 9: "Speaking Spirit" (Rev. Diana Repko). Here are steps to crafting conscious inner conversation.

August 16: "Your Life's Chant" (Rev. Joan Gattuso). Is yours a consistent, "He did me wrong," or, "My Life is a miracle" –which?

August 23: "Your Vibrational Field" (Rev. Joan Gattuso). Are you aware that all the good, the blessings, the love you seek is seeking you?

August 30: "Can't Look to the Excess Anymore" (Rev. Joan Gattuso). What's outside you will never fulfill you.