



The Exponent

May 6-12, 2022

WORSHIP

THE
Good Goodbye
WORSHIP SERIES - WEEK 2



Ministries of Nurturing
May 8, 2022

Sunday, May 8, 10:00 AM "Ministries of Nurturing"

Rev. Jake, leading worship service

As we continue this series of dialogues toward a "good goodbye," today, Tandy and Jake will share their respective views on nurturing in ministry. What were they thinking as they engaged in ministry? How did each of them understand care?

In-Service and Zoom. ZOOM door opens at 9:45 am. See link below.

Order of Service [here](#) Go to [ORUUC](#) for zoom information.

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Congregation Photo

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: There will be **Congregation Photo** taken on **Sunday, May 15th, immediately following the worship service.** Please show up to be part of this whole-group congregational photo shoot! We have a top-secret plan for this picture... ~ The Good Goodbye Event Planners: Christy White, Charlene Luther, Liz McGeachy, Maureen Hoyt, Beth Meyer, and Gina Grubb. (If you are interested in joining us on the Event Planning Team, please email goodbye.oruuc@gmail.com.)



2017 Congregation Photo



The May Day Picnic is on!



When: Sunday, May 22, 2022, 11 AM (yes, we know this isn't actually May Day, however, we're trying to work it in the VERY busy month of May.)

Where: ORUUC, in the Social Hall and the Pavilion

What to bring: Your favorite side dish/dessert that feeds 6 - 8 people to accompany hotdogs. Also, if the weather is decent, bring chairs and/or blankets so that you may dine comfortably outside if you are so moved.

What you can do: VOLUNTEER. Help is needed in all areas, particularly setup and cleanup. This particular Sunday is filled with special events including Bridging and the annual picnic is usually a highlight of the church year (made even more poignant with the departure of Tandy and Jake) so we need you! To officially volunteer, email Val Herd at vherd@gmail.com

Note: of course, there's always the possibility that a rise in local Covid infection rates could put the kibosh on these plans but, for the time being, we're going to believe in unicorns and plow ahead!

So, again, please volunteer if you can. I look forward to seeing you all!
(Rumor has it that the May Pole will be making an appearance. 😊)

-Val Herd



Date & Time

Saturday, June 18, 2022

6:30 p.m. Program in the sanctuary honoring Jake and Tandy

7:30-10:30(ish) - The Good Goodbye Party in the Social Hall & Outdoors

Interested in joining the Good Goodbye Event Planning Team? Or do you have questions, concerns, or suggestions? Please reach out to us directly at goodbye.oruuc@gmail.com. Thank you! *Good Goodbye Event Planners: Christy White, Charlene Luther, Liz McGeachy, Maureen Hoyt, Beth Meyer, and Gina Grubb*

Ministerial Boundaries After Departure

Dear Friends,

This is a joint letter from your two Ministers, Jake and Tandy. As you know, on June 30, in less than two months, we will step down from our long-time

ministries with ORUUC--Tandy, to retire, and Jake, to pursue other kinds of work.

The letter is about the nature of our relationships with you, the people of ORUUC, after we depart, and the boundaries we'll be upholding.

Understandably, we've gotten some questions, so we wanted to take the chance to say it plainly, while there's still time for anyone to respond and discuss it with us, if they'd like.

Departing from Ministry Means Ending Ministry

When a Unitarian Universalist minister ends ministry with a congregation, the professional expectation is for that minister to end ministry in all its forms with the congregation and its members. That means not preaching, not conducting memorial services or weddings, not providing pastoral care, not weighing in on institutional questions. That much may seem pretty clear-cut.

Ending Ministry Means Ending the Deep Connections We've Had

Where it gets murkier is ending other forms of relationship. So, to be clear, we won't initiate or accept invitations to coffee or lunch--any one-on-one meet-ups or group gatherings. We won't exchange emails, phone calls, or online messages. After June 30, Tandy will leave Facebook; Jake will put ORUUC members who are Facebook friends in a special group so that they don't see his posts.

This may seem cold and cruel, after years of meaningful relationship. We don't make these decisions lightly, or easily. But we make them wholeheartedly, supporting the reason why it's important.

Why These Boundaries Matter

The reason it's important for a departing minister to end direct relationship with church-members is to support the congregation's ability to establish connection and trust with a new minister. If a departing minister stays on the scene, or stays connected with congregants, it's harder for the new minister to

build that trust and rapport. So, when we withdraw from regular exchanges with congregants--when we don't return an email or accept an invitation to coffee--it's not out of a lack of care. It's from a sense of care for the congregation's ongoing flourishing, in a new relationship, with a new minister.

Usually, a departing minister also leaves town, which makes ending the ministerial relationship simpler and cleaner. However, both of us will continue to live in Oak Ridge for the foreseeable future. And, as you know, Oak Ridge is a very small town. We will run into you; you will run into us. What to do then?

We Will Probably See You Around Town

Well, we're not going to hide or to pretend we don't know you. We will be glad to see you! (Because, honestly, we are already grieving the loss of this important relationship in our lives, and the loss of connection with such wonderful people.) We will be open for chatting in a light-hearted way. But we'll be keeping boundaries on those exchanges.

We Won't Talk About Church

Specifically, we won't talk about church with you; we don't want to be on the receiving end of news or opinions about church, and we won't offer thoughts about it ourselves. A new minister will likely be very different than either of us. You may have opinions about that. Things may be shaky, as you experience a different kind of ministry and leadership. We hope you will bring ideas, encouragement, and concern directly to that new minister. We will steadfastly support that new minister, and their relationship with you.

We Won't Talk at Great Depth

Also, we won't talk about areas of depth or struggle in your lives, or ours. Again, this is not out of lack of care. In fact, we may be very curious and we do care! But if we run into you out about town, and begin to engage each other about heavy stuff in a way that becomes pastoral care, that would detract from

your opportunity to bring it to the new minister, and have a conversation with them. So, if we run into each other, we'll talk about light stuff.

Our Covenant with the New Minister

When the new interim arrives, and the settled minister afterward at some point, we will each initiate relationship with that colleague, and establish a covenant with them, so that we are all clear, as colleagues, about what mutual support looks like and how to uphold it in these unusual circumstances of all living together in a small city. Part of that covenant will include our shared intent to defer to the interim (or settled) minister for all matters related to ORUUC. We want their leadership to take root and thrive!

Our Family Members

We each have family members involved at ORUUC. People have asked about their continued involvement. As we both see it, the decision about the relationship between our family members and the congregation is between our family members and the congregation, and is not for us to decide. Each person involved can think and decide for themselves, in conversation with the congregation.

That said, if family members decide to stay involved, we ask that you are mindful not to use them as conduits to us--asking about us, or trying to pass messages to us through them. For most people, this would seem obvious, but it helps to say it directly.

Exceptions

There will be exceptions for each of us to what we've described.

Tandy's friendship with Nancy Starr and Susan Rosenbaum pre-dates her role as a minister at ORUUC, when she was on staff with them at the church.

Nancy and Tandy co-own their dog, Willow. So, Tandy will continue to be in relationship as friends with Nancy and Susan.

As the father to two teenagers, Jake expects to have contact with other parents of teenagers in that parenting role. It's hard to say, exactly, how this will look, except that it will be different than the usual "no-contact-except-running-into-each-other" guideline.

And, really, who knows where any of us will cross paths! The idea is not to disappear, but to dramatically dial down our connection with the congregation, so as to give the new minister a fighting chance to establish a new relationship with you.

Down the Road

Some have wondered when or if we might return, in a different role. ORUUC is familiar with the role that Howard Box played, as Minister Emeritus. In the coming years, down the road, with a new settled minister, ORUUC may want to take up the question of whether or not to elect us to such roles. That would be for you to discuss in a few years with the new settled minister. The answer is not a foregone conclusion; for various reasons, you may decide not to or to delay, in a way that supports your shared ministry at that moment. Or you may decide you want that relationship, at that time, and either or both of us may decide it's not what we want, for some reason. So, let's be careful of being too certain what the future may hold as we depart, and instead trust that love will guide us.

Love Will Guide Us

We can be sure that love will guide us into the future, because it has guided us this far. Our ministries and our relationships together with you haven't thrived through rules and recipes, but through covenant and commitment. So, that's what we're counting on, as we leave: that we'll figure it out, in love, as we go, in ways that support your new relationship with the ministers who come after.

Want to Talk?

If reading this spurs you to want to talk with either of us, or if you've been

meaning to make time to talk with us, please do reach out to make time. You can reach Tandy at tandyscheffler@gmail.com and Jake at revjakebmorrill@gmail.com.

Thank You

Thank you for the part you are playing, and will play, in ORUUC's continued health and flourishing. It's not always easy, but it's important. And your willingness to hang in there and do the right thing and the generous thing for your community means a lot to us.

Peace and Grace,
Jake and Tandy

ORUUC Softball Schedule



Photo courtesy of Sarah Gunter

Come out to cheer on the ORUUC Softball Team playing on Tuesdays this Spring at Carl Yearwood Park on Bus Terminal Road! The team plays as part

of the City of Oak Ridge's Recreation and Parks Department Spring Co-Ed Softball League.

Tuesday, May 10, 8:00 PM
ORUUC - vs - Tennessee Dogs

Tuesday, May 17, 8:00 PM
ORUUC - vs - Ex-Prospects

Tuesday, May 24, 9:00 PM
Hamby's Hitters - vs – ORUUC

Tuesday, May 31, 6:00 PM
ORUUC - vs - Master Batters

Tuesday, June 7, 7:00 PM
Hamby's Hitters - vs – ORUUC

Mother Goose



of Oak Ridge

Join us with your baby, toddler and/or preschooler for bouncing, tickling, touching, clapping and action rhymes, musical circle games, simple songs, and play.

**FIRST and THIRD Thursdays each month
at 10:30 AM
with "Father Goose" Michael Raymond**

We promote positive parent/child interaction as well as language and early brain development through traditional rhymes, circle games, musical activities, and simple play. We provide a meeting place and fellowship for caregivers of young children, especially those new to the community and far from home. Nothing is charged for Mother Goose; it is freely and lovingly offered to all.

Mother Goose of Oak Ridge meets in the Oak Ridge Public Library Auditorium.

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Nomadic Yoga Co-op

Nomadic Yoga Co-op: Sunday morning and Tuesday evening yoga will continue to be on hiatus until further notice. Please continue your home practice. We hope to gather again soon! Namaste. ~Melissa Kay



Line Dancing

Sunday, 3:00pm

We teach line dancing. Through our dancing, we bring together total strangers through-out the Oak Ridge community. We learn a variety of dances, country, jazz, waltz and cha-chas. Close friendships are developed with the willingness to share individual talents with others. A donation of \$3.00 per session is suggested. For more information, contact Jo Curran or Steven Albright.



Tai Chi

M-W-F, 11-12 am

We minister to health & stability through learning & practicing tai chi. Tai chi has helped individuals maintain & improve their balance, strength, & blood pressure, & reduce knee, arm, shoulder & back pain. It has helped with MS, Alzheimer's, dropped cervix, bunions, & more. For more information, call Janet Hoegler at 865-963-5115.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Responding to News from the Supreme Court

Dear Friends,

Monday night, the news organization *Politico* published an early draft of a forthcoming decision by the Supreme Court, which would overturn *Roe v. Wade*'s holding of a federal constitutional right to an abortion. What was released was only a draft, not a decision. But it seems to suggest the realization of what has been anticipated for some time: that a Court stocked with right-wing Justices would overturn fifty years of settled law on this important matter.

Oak Ridge UU Church only takes congregational stances when there has been a congregational vote, preceded by time of collective discernment and deliberation. As a congregation, ORUUC hasn't taken a stance on the question of reproductive rights and reproductive justice. As with any complex topic, there will be a range of heartfelt perspectives. So, we hold that diversity in relationship to complexity. We have no official congregational position. People of varying views, as always, are welcome to engage each other.

At the same time, ORUUC has a historic role in East Tennessee, in helping establish in the 1960s what later became Planned Parenthood of Middle and East Tennessee. Planned Parenthood was selected by congregational vote last summer (as in earlier summers) as a recipient of the Split-the-Plate offering ministry. Our longstanding commitment to offering Our Whole Lives comprehensive sexuality education endorses values of individual choice and agency in decisions about one's own body. And, as Minister, while I've heard

passionate advocacy for reproductive justice from many members, I have not heard similar advocacy for restricting access to abortion (though, for all I know, our membership includes folks with that view who haven't felt comfortable sharing it with me). So, my observation is a congregation that is generally, historically, and deeply (though, perhaps, not universally) committed to reproductive justice.

The Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations has taken a clearer institutional stand, through the 2015 Statement of Conscience on Reproductive Justice, approved by a vote of denominational delegates after several years of study. You can find that statement, including theological perspective and proposed actions, here: <https://www.uua.org/action/statements/reproductive-justice>

As for me, personally, as a Minister, I'm clear. I believe the policy of forced birth is a violation of a woman's human right to self-determination, so is immoral. I believe the policy of forced birth is ineffective, as well--removing access to abortion, I predict, means that people of privilege will continue to have reproductive choice, while people who are poor and on the margins will often resort to dangerous, homemade or unsanctioned practices to terminate their pregnancies, leading to their injuries or death. I'll be even clearer: forced birth policies, like the one suggested by this pending Supreme Court decision, directly and adversely affects Communities of Color. Its impact is part of systemic racism. I believe that people who are pregnant are capable of discerning and making what is often a complex decision, regarding their own pregnancies.

In ministry at ORUUC, through the years, I have supported people who are pregnant connecting with the resources they need to access reproductive care, including abortion. I have done that out of my own conviction, and also

out of my understanding that I was representing this congregation, and the historic role of clergy, before *Roe v. Wade*, in facilitating access to abortions.

In response to the news from *Politico* about the Supreme Court's pending decision, and going forward toward a future that may well include bleak conditions for reproductive justice, you may be stirred to action. There are any number of ways you can individually respond, and efforts underway to join in on. If you would like ORUUC to respond, as with anything, the first step is to form a shared ministry agreement with at least four others, to make a plan for response. A response could be a single action, like a vigil. It could be a sustained effort, like advocacy or playing a local part in a larger regional or national campaign. It could be playing a part in establishing a network of support, as has happened in states like Texas, in recent months. So, think it through. What would you like to do, if anything, as a congregation? How can you find others to work with?

And, of course, now might not be the time to leap into action. It might be the time to come together to discuss and discern what is the right course to take. I wanted to let you know that, if discussing and processing your response is a first step, let me know, and we can find a time to meet with a group of other ORUUC-ians to talk. And if your own reproductive options are at stake, in a current situation, or if this raises anxieties about your safety or dignity, please make time to talk with Tandy or me, who can hear you and support you.

Others have come before us who've faced higher stakes and longer odds. The arc of the universe is long, but it bends toward justice. Love wins in the end. We stand on the shoulders of giants, and can draw from their example as we face the challenge of this moment.

Faithfully,

Jake

COVID-19 Update

Our Pandemic Action Levels (PALs) risk is now MODERATE: Masks are no longer required in the building; those who are more comfortable wearing one are welcome to do so. Coffee Hour will be held in the Social Hall. We respectfully ask that if you have symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19, please stay home and join us on Zoom.

For the weekly Covid-19 data for Anderson County, click here: [Tennessee Department of Health Covid-19 Data](#). See this [link](#) for ORUUC's PALs reports and resources.

Know Your COVID-19 Community Level

Covid-19 Community Levels are a new tool from the CDC to help communities decide what prevention steps to take based on the latest data. Levels can be low, medium, or high, and are determined by looking at hospital beds being used, hospital admissions, and the total number of new COVID-19 cases in an area. Take precautions to protect yourself and others from COVID-19 based on the COVID-19 Community Level in your area. [COVID-19 by County | CDC](#)

What Prevention Steps Should You Take Based on Your COVID-19 Community Level?

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautionsStay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Wear a mask indoors in publicStay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptomsAdditional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask.



Get Free At-Home COVID-19 Tests

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to receive **four free at-home COVID-19 tests**. Orders usually ship in 7-12 days. Order tests now so you have them when you need them:

<https://www.covidtests.gov/>

Note: At-home COVID-19 rapid test kits contain a small amount of sodium azide. To prevent accidental poisonings, poison control centers recommend the following tips:

- Store the kit “up and away,” out of the sight and reach of children and pets.
- Leave the kit sealed until needed and throw it away immediately after use.
- Make sure to read and follow the instructions on the package before using.

<https://blog.cincinnatichildrens.org/84/covid-19-home-test-kit-dangers-what-parents-need-to-know>

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Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical nonprofit that builds, rehabs, and repairs homes for income eligible families. They do business in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law. We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin.

Helping homeless families find decent, safe and affordable housing has been a focus of concern for ORUUC for many years. Habitat has shown to be making a difference with the celebration of their 100th build. Let's continue to support the good works of this viable social service group!

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OUR ORUUC FAMILY

Caring for Each Other

Are you going through a difficult time? Are you in a situation where support and caring are needed--someone to do grocery shopping, take you to a doctor's appointment, or provide a meal following an upcoming surgery?

Contact Rev. Tandy Scheffler, Minister of Care & Connection, or the church office: (865) 483-6761 or office@oruuc.org or a Caring Coordinator!

Caring Coordinators for May.

Rachel Smith-Jones smithnjones3@comcast.net

603-252-2295

Irene Robbins Robbinsif1@comcast.net 865-207-0743



If you are going through difficult times and would like emotional support, or are in any situation where support and caring are needed, contact

Rev. Tandy Scheffler, Minister of Care and Connection

Jeannie Cuevas, Office Administrator

(865) 483-6761 Office Hours M-F 10 AM to 4 PM office@oruuc.org

Please call at least two days in advance to allow time for Caring Coordinators to find a volunteer to provide the care that you need. Our ability to provide transportation is limited. If your appointment is routine and/or can wait, please reschedule it rather than call a Caring Coordinator. Thank you for reserving our Caring Volunteers for those situations that address serious needs that cannot wait.



Elizabeth Brown Peelle, age 89, died peacefully in her home on April 6, 2022, due to complications of dementia.

Elizabeth is lovingly remembered for her steadfast commitment to social and environmental justice, her keen eye for birds and wildflowers, tireless work building community connections, her sense of humor, and forward-thinking actions for our precious planet.

Elizabeth, known to many as Liz, Beth, or Betsy, was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 3, 1932, to Irwin Cuyler Brown & Flora Keller Brown. Her father was a Milwaukee police officer, who often worked the night shift, and her mother was a retired school teacher/principal who was active at her Lutheran Church. She excelled in school where she played viola in the orchestra. She was a star pupil in her catechism class. She adored her younger brother and defended him fiercely from neighborhood bullies. Summers found her working at an uncle's small farm near Albany, WI. There she proved that a "city girl" could drive a draft horse, shovel manure, and survive outhouse pranks like a local!

After high school, Elizabeth attended Western College for Women in Oxford, Ohio on a full scholarship. She flourished in the rich academic environment, was class president her senior year, and made lifelong friends. She graduated with a B.A. in chemistry in 1954.

She moved to Oak Ridge to work at the Oak Ridge Gaseous Diffusion Plant (K-25) performing low-temperature gas absorption studies, where she lived in a WWII-era women's dormitory near Jackson Square. Bob and Elizabeth were introduced by a mutual friend in Oak Ridge and married in 1955, at her alma mater. Finding limited opportunities for women to advance in chemistry at K-

25, she changed careers, earning a master's degree in sociology at University of Tennessee Knoxville in 1964.

Beginning in 1970, Elizabeth was a research staff member in the Environmental Analysis and Assessment section of the Energy Division at Oak Ridge National Lab. She helped pioneer the use of Social Impact Assessment in the siting of noxious facilities, including nuclear power plants, radioactive and chemical waste repositories. Over her 37 years at ORNL, her work involved the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant accident (1979) and extended into researching community and government acceptance of alternate energy sources and biofuel development. Her research has been published in several professional journals, and she presented her work at numerous national, professional, and academic forums.

Elizabeth was named Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) in 1986. She received an honorary Doctor of Law degree from Miami University in 1990. Additional professional honors include: Association for Women in Science East TN Chapter Leadership Award (1998), Distinguished Leader and Mentor Award (1988) and the Award for Applying Sociology by the Society for Applied Sociology (1988).

In Oak Ridge, the Peelles raised their two daughters and became deeply involved in the social, political and environmental life of their community. Elizabeth was known for contacting scores of Oak Ridge and Roane County residents to inform, find volunteers, and garner support for ballot issues, candidates, and causes over the decades, including organizing Bob's five successful non-partisan runs for Roane County Commission. They were members of Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church for over 55 years. Elizabeth served on the Board of Trustees and was Board President in 1956, when the congregation built their first permanent building at Robertsville Road and the Oak Ridge Turnpike. She helped design and implement a plan for the

racial desegregation of Oak Ridge (1956-1968), serving as board member and then chairperson of the Community Relations Council -- Oak Ridge's first interracial organization. In 1966, she was a founding member of Tennessee Citizens for Wilderness Planning which works to preserve natural areas. Between 1964-1972, Elizabeth served as board member then president of Planned Parenthood of the Southern Mountains. In that role, she helped develop and implement a program of rural healthcare and family planning services in a 10-county area of Appalachia.

In 1980, she was instrumental in marshalling support and securing both private and City funding for a greenbelt area within western Oak Ridge. She served on the Committee of 50 which addressed the City's need for growth and improved municipal structure. In 1986, she initiated Oak Ridge Citizens for Higher Education which successfully worked to retain Roane County Community College in Oak Ridge. Elizabeth was a founding member and early president of Tennesseans for Choice which advocated for reproductive freedom. In 2012, she used \$14 from a reverse offering at the Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church to purchase fresh fruit for students in a local after school program. This grew into Fresh Fruit for Kids which continues to provide fruit to local children of food-insecure families.

Elizabeth was recognized for her community service with several awards: American Association of University Women "Women of Impact" in Oak Ridge (1993), YWCA Tribute to Women (1998), Lockheed Martin, ORNL, "Vision & Perseverance towards improving community quality of life" (1999), and UT Battelle, ORNL, Lifetime Achievement in Community Service (2001).

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her devoted husband of 63 years, Robert William Peelle (1929-2018), and brother Richard Irwin Brown (1934-2007). She is survived by her daughters, Evelyn Peelle (Gary Jerauld) of Houston, TX, and Annette (Eric) Sargent; and grandson William Sargent of Birmingham,

MI. Loved ones also include the wife and children of her brother Richard (Marina) Brown, Lara Brown (John Wakeman) and Marco Brown (Ellen Rowe). Also beloved are the children of her late brother-in-law Harold (Faithe) Peelle, David (Baiba) Peelle, Kathy Douds, Karyl (Tony) Petruccione, Doug (Darla) Peelle, Karen (Tim) Stone, Tina Onion, and Derek Peelle.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to Tennessee Citizens for Wilderness Planning Peelle Memorial Fund, at TCWP- Peelle Memorial Fund or by mail PO Box 6873, Oak Ridge TN 37831.

A memorial service to celebrate Elizabeth's life will be held at Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church, 809 Oak Ridge Turnpike, on May 28, 2022, at 10:30 am. The family invites attendees to wear purple, her favorite color. A reception will follow. Online condolences may be left at weatherfordmortuary.com.

Posted online on April 29, 2022. Published in The Oak Ridger.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church, 809 Oak Ridge Turnpike Oak Ridge, TN 37830. May 28, 2022 at 10:30 AM

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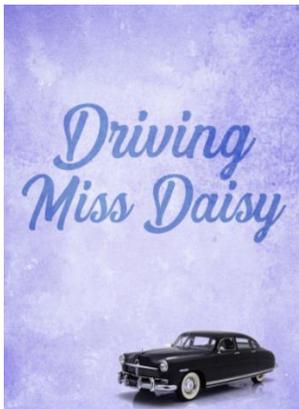
Oak Ridge Citywide Brush Pickup to Begin May 9:

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE 2022 BRUSH PICKUP SCHEDULE](#)

- All tree limbs should be placed near, but not beyond the curb, with the butt end near the street. Keep all materials off sidewalks, parking areas and out of gutters. Residents are asked to not place any brush at the curb more than one (1) week prior to the scheduled pick-up day in order to maintain the cleanliness of our city.
- Limb diameter should be no larger than three (3) inches at any point.
- Yard clippings and leaves must be in plastic bags. It should be noted that yard waste will be collected with the regularly scheduled refuse collection throughout the year.
- There is a limit of one (1) truckload of material per residence. A truckload is defined as one (1) pickup truck or approximately 3' high x 4' wide x 8' long, approximately 100 cubic feet maximum.

- Crews will not pick-up piles that have brush or limbs mixed with rubbish or trash.
- All materials must be in place no later than 7:30 a.m. on the scheduled pick-up day to ensure pick-up. Any materials put out after 7:30 a.m. on the scheduled pick-up day may not be picked up.

The proposed schedule is a general guide and can vary considerably from the actual schedule due to weather conditions and/or the amount of participation by residents. For more information, contact Waste Connections of Tennessee at (865) 482-3656.



I am reaching out to all the churches in Oak Ridge, asking people to consider volunteering at Oak Ridge Playhouse. The volunteer positions are relatively easy and just require a little bit of time. I have attached a link below for the upcoming production of ***Driving Miss Daisy, May 6-15.*** I am asking each church to reach out to your congregations and let them know about this awesome opportunity to help serve their community. We can also provide a letter confirming volunteer hours for students.

Please email me with questions: bkhawk33@yahoo.com. Thank you, in advance, for the consideration.

Byron Hawkins, Volunteer Coordinator
Oak Ridge Playhouse Board Member

DRIVING MISS DAISY - Front of House Sign up now: [DRIVING MISS DAISY - Front of House](#)

Reminder: The deadline to submit news for the weekly Exponent is WEDNESDAY at NOON. Please send news to Rachel at communications@oruuc.org **AND** Debby Crider at newsletters@launchpad.faith

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FRIENDS OF THE OAK RIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOOK SALE!

ORPL Auditorium

Thursday

May 5th

Members Only

5:00pm-7:00pm

(memberships available at the door)

Friday

May 6th

Open to the public

10:30am-5:30pm

Saturday

May 7th

1/2 price sale

10:30am-5:00pm

Sunday

May 8th

Buy-A-Bag-of-Books for \$3.00

2:30pm-5:30pm

ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Friday, May 6

11:00am Tai Chi Practice
2:00pm (Rental) Friends of Literacy

Saturday, May 7

3:00pm Ukulele
3:00pm (Rental) Graduation Party

Sunday, May 8

8:15am Circles of Trust VII
10:00am Worship Service
11:00am High School
11:00am Reflections
11:00am Together in Spirit
11:00am Yoga (Canceled)
11:15am Circle of Trust II
11:15am Circle of Trust IV
11:15am Newcomers
12:00pm Circle of Trust V
12:30pm OWL Grades 7-9
12:30pm Buddhism Study Group
1:00pm Circle of Trust VI
3:00pm Line Dancing

Monday, May 9

11:00am Tai Chi Practice
6:50pm Meditation Learning and Practice Group

Tuesday, May 10

12:30pm Executive Team Luncheon
6:00pm Presidents Council
6:00pm (Canceled) Nomadic Yoga
6:00pm Depression & Anxiety Support Group

Wednesday, May 11

6:30am Breakfast Rotary
11:00am Tai Chi
5:15pm Circles of Trust III
6:45pm Choir Practice
7:45pm Band Rehearsal

Thursday, May 12

12:00pm NWUUC & Launchpad Meeting
5:00pm Potluck
6:50pm Meditation Learning and Practice Group