



Groundcover



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BUTTERFLIES, SIMPLICITY, DOGS HEALING PEOPLE & MORE...



Wisconsin has more Karner Blue butterflies than anywhere on Earth, but caterpillars must dine on wild Blue Lupine--now being mowed for development--and they must change out of their smooth green suits with white side stripes to fly the heavens: metamorphosis! World-wide, butterflies symbolize eternal life; change with grace; passages through difficulty. This beautiful program "uplifted" spirits with "A Wing & A Prayer" on Sept. 5.

SIMPLICITY



Inuit hand carving ▪ *Heritage glass jar* ▪ *Michael Imes Threefold*
Another Gathering subject was "Simplicity," with remarks by Joan Warsinski of Hand-to-Mouth natural growers. She spoke of lessons her parents taught her about the healing power of plants right in their front yard, and shared thoughts about lifestyles of economy for better earth care. A simple meal of pan-braised new potatoes; vegetable chili; honey cake with organic apples and raw honey was enjoyed by those gathered at A New Common Ground.



Our Gathering Room has an all-season-tree: Mona's grands, Haley and Tyson made tomato decorations to honor the summer crop!

MISSION STATEMENT

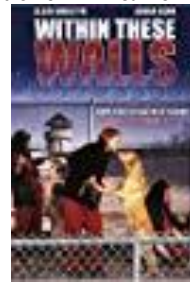
A New Common Ground is a farm-to-table dinner community where people make spiritual connections together. It is a regional interfaith community welcoming all traditions. Rooted in universal principles of faith and action, it provides an environment of trust and care. Its programs offer education and nurture for the human spirit and enlarge awareness of sustainable earth practices. As a center for soul-care and earth-care it promotes the constant hope of peace through justice and is a 21st century ministry of Emmanuel UCC.



Our periodic newsletter is called *Groundcover* in honor of sustainable spiritual and earth care practices. Our programs cover a lot of ground--in ethics, belief systems, issues of our days and tasks we are called to perform--within our abilities and resources, individually and as a group.

PROGRAM COMING SOON: "Within These Walls"

Can dogs rehabilitate people? Can damaged and imprisoned felons become more human because of canine care? Our film program is true & powerful, about one Nun & her dogs.



Starring Laura Dern, Ellyn Burstyn & LaTanya Richardson. You come to a bend in the road of life and you just know you need a spiritual lift...and some clean food... including ethical chocolate pudding: no child slave labor in it, only edible flowers.



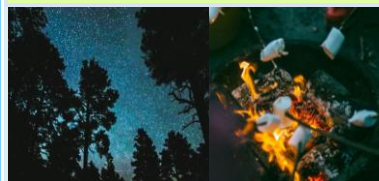
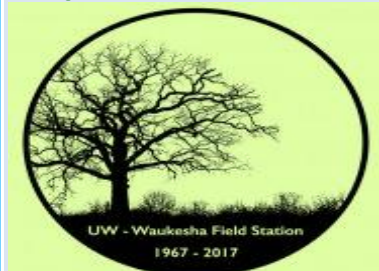
UP NEXT-Sep 19

Thanks to our growing friendships with the farmers and craftspeople at the Dousman Farmer's Market, on Wednesdays from 2:00-6:00 pm, we have ALL been invited to the Farmer's Market Potluck on Wed. September 19 at 6:30 pm.



PREVIOUSLY

Our visit to the UWW-Field Station featured a prairie tour, exposure to native plants and farm terrain, eventual evening stars and a meditation campfire with S'mores! Thank you to Prof. Marlin Johnson & Joani W for hosting and arrangements.



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