Safety Protocols February 2024 - Donnette Pinkerton

Understanding Severe Thunderstorm Risk Categories



TORNADO/EXTREME WEATHER THREAT

An announcement will be made: "Attention Please. A Severe Weather Protocol is in effect. Go to your designated areas"

- 1. Designated staff will direct people to the kitchen
- 2. As overflow occurs, the men will be directed in the men's restroom and the women in the women's restroom
- 3. The designated staff will make a sweep of the building to make sure everyone is in place
- 4. The doors will then be held in place with the door wedges
- 5. Once safe, the designated staff will announce "all clear"

Nice to haves: Vests to identify the designated staff and walkie talkies to talk to each other to say the building is clear in all the areas (They can be the cheap toys, because it is not a huge area)



BUILDING FIRE PREPAREDNESS: An announcement will be made:

"Attention Please. A Fire is in the building. Go to the Labyrinth."

- 1. Designated staff will direct people out the nearest doors
- 2. The designated staff will make a sweep of the building to make sure everyone is out
- 3. Once safe, the designated staff will announce "all clear" OR follow Firefighters instructions

Note: Avoiding Parking lot for Fire Trucks and Use Labyrinth as a landmark for people. They may go past that.

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ACTIVE SHOOTER PREPAREDNESS:

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

Be aware of your surroundings. Report suspicious activity to Rev Sharon Ketchum or Donnette Pinkerton.

An active shooter (or disruptive person) may be a stranger, a current, or former member. Alert Reverand Sharon Ketchum, Donnette Pinkerton or Edmund Mack if someone exhibits potentially violent behavior. Indicators of

potentially violent behavior may include one or more of the following:

Direct or veiled threats of harm or violence

- Intimidating, belligerent, harassing, bullying or aggressive behavior
- Increased severe mood swings and noticeably unstable or emotional responses
- Increase in comments about violence, firearms and other dangerous weapons and violent crimes

IF AN ACTIVE SHOOTER IS IN YOUR VICINITY:

RUN

- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Leave your belongings behind
- Keep your hands visible

HIDE

- Hide in an area out of the active shooter's view
- Block entry to your hiding place and lock the doors

FIGHT

- As a last resort (and only if your life is in imminent danger) fight
- Attempt to incapacitate the active shooter
- Act with physical aggression and commit to your actions

Facilities Report 2024

Jerry Podany

Current Projects

Remodeling of Restroom and Activity Room

Painting of walls and Ceiling - volunteers

Flooring install - estimate April install by Discount Flooring

Install Toilet Stall Partitions - Arrival date of materials TBA

Install Sinks, Cabinets, Toilets and Urinal -

Lighting fixtures for all three rooms - electrician

Later this year

Refurbishing of outside of pumphouse adopted by Tom and Nancy Cody Install cement pads for benches around the property – contractor

Get quote on re-roofing pole barn

Coming Up in 2024

Adopt-a-Garden area for weeding, mulch, planting Ceiling speakers install

Highlights of 2023

Replacement of Lodge Entry Window and fixing slide lights of main entry windows

New furnace with air conditioning and humidifier installed

Purchase and installed usable blinds in Great Hall – thank you to our sponsors





Established classroom in Upper Lodge with TV, Laptop, Owl, meeting tables – thank you to our sponsors!

And thank you to all the people who helped with the day-to-day maintenance and repairs, lawn mowing and gardening throughout the year.

Jerry Podany Facilities Manager

Event Rental Report March 2024

Jeff Benoit



Dear Friends,

The long-talked-about effort to rent our space to community individuals and groups is finally showing significant results. With the help of a listing on the website Eventective, we are receiving many queries, sending out a number of quotes and netting some bookings.

We have 2 rental events each scheduled in April, May and June, including a

- 1) National Association of Social Workers Award Ceremony
- 2) a memorial
- 3) "Healing With Katie" workshop
- 4) Girl Scouts Volunteer Award Ceremony
- 5) a wedding reception
- 6) a graduation party

We are also working on a Childrens Mental Health

Awareness event for May





The entire effort is possible only with the dedication of Rev. Sharon and Jessica on the admin side and the Rental Logistics Team on the execution side with Jill Dening leading the way. Present members of the latter are listed on the board report of Team volunteers today. We could really use more team members to staff the events. Please speak to me with any interest. These are paid positions. With your email, I can

send you specifics. Much appreciated, as we can only take bookings if we can staff them.

Blessings, Jeff Benoit

Event Rental Coordinator



This year is the 90th Anniversary of Unity in Lansing

The Unity Family Tree

In 1934, Rev. Ida Best and Rev. Harvey Best (ordained in 1923) held the first Unity service in downtown Lansing. In the last 90 years, Unity has had a number of different names, different locations, and different ministers, but the message was always the same.

This year is the 90th anniversary of Unity's presence in Lansing.

How do we want to celebrate this remarkable anniversary?

Past Unity Ministries, Ministers, and locations

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| 1934 | Society of Practical Christianity, Lansing Truth Association | |
| | Rev. Ida Best and Rev. Harvey Best | Downtown Lansing |
| 1941 | renamed Lansing Unity Association | YMCA |
| | Roxie G. Miller, a licensed Unity teacher College Manor building | g, 224 Abbott Road, East Lansing. |
| 1948 | East Lansing Unity Center – new group | 425 W. Grand River Avenue |
| 1950 | Rev. Nora S. Elliott | |
| 1952 | Unity congregation incorporated as Lansing Unity Chapel | |
| 1957 | Lansing Unity Chapel | 2511 S. Washington Ave, Lansing |
| 1963 | Unity Lansing Chapel Rev. Eleonore E. Kraft | |
| 1966 | Unity Lansing Chapel Rev. Richard Dale Billings, Paul Butler | YMCA, 301 W. Lenawee, Lansing |
| 1966 | Unity Church of Lansing incorporated | |
| 1967 | Unity Lansing Chapel and Unity Church of Lansing merged | |
| | Rev. Ed Hoge, Wes Wallin | |
| 1968 | Unity of Greater Lansing purchased | 240 Marshall Street, Lansing |
| 1977 | Rev. Dick Ammons | |
| 1980-82 Rev. Amelia Frank, Associate Minister | | |
| 1999 | Rev. Kate DeMougin, Associate Minister | |
| 2004 | Rev. Guy Lynch | |
| 2004 | Unity Spiritual Renaissance incorporated | 230 S. Holmes, Lansing |
| | Rev. Kate DeMougin | |
| 2006 | Unity of Greater Lansing Rev. Kent Lederer | |
| 2012 | Unity of Greater Lansing moved to temporary share space—Plymouth Congregational 2001 E. Grand River | |
| 2013 | Unity of Greater Lansing leased location at 15851 S. Old US 27 in north Lansing | |
| 2014 | Interim Minister Barry Vennard | |
| 2015 | Unity of Great Lansing and Unity Spiritual Renaissance merged into Unity Spiritual Center of Lansing | |
| | Marshall Street Property sold. Group met at 230 S. Holmes – looked to expand building | |
| 2016 | Unity Spiritual Center of Lansing Rev. Sharon Ketchum | 230 S. Holmes |
| 2019 | Fire | 230 S. Holmes |
| 2020 | Purchased new property – sold 230 S. Holmes | 2395 Washington Road, Lansing |
| 2024 | 90 th Anniversary | |