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## **UAUS LOGO**

Urantia Association International has adopted an official logo for the national association. This logo is similar to the logo adopted by Urantia Association International and demonstrates our relationship within the UAI family of associations and with Urantia Foundation. Please note that whenever we use the concentric circles of Urantia Foundation the registered trademark symbol – the small circle R – must be included. For more information about use of the logo please request information from the UAI Central Office or refer to the UAI Style Guide.



## **UAUS ANNOUNCES NOMINATIONS FOR GOVERNING BOARD**

It brings great pleasure to announce UAUS Election 2009 call for affirmation of candidates. Our bylaws call for the election of two Governing Board Officers each year. We have received valid nominations for:

UAUS President - David Linthicum of The Spirit of Oklahoma

UAUS Treasurer - Daryl Berry of Ohio Students of Urantia Book

Effective March 1, 2009, all UAUS local associations are asked to Vote in Affirmation of our two candidates running unopposed. Votes will be accepted throughout the month of March. The President and Vice President of each Local Association are called to respond by stating their name, office and Association Name to UAUS List. Thank You all very much for your continued participation. Current UAUS President Benet Rutenberg expressed that "On behalf of UAUS GB, we are grateful to those accepting this term of office and give thanks to those currently serving." On April 1, 2009, President Rutenberg confirm this election and install our new president and welcome back our treasurer for a second term. He also expressed his appreciation to Marian Hughes, of HULA, UAUS Vice President and Patti Snyder, of SURF, UAUS Secretary for their work in support of UAUS, UAI, UF and this Revelation. All members are encouraged to become more involved in this work of our organization.

We also wish to take this opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation of President Rutenberg for all he has done for UAUS. Most of us do not know the workings of a national organization and what goes on day to day out of the public spotlight. President Rutenberg has literally given his time and energy to the growth and success of UAUS on a daily basis. He has guided us through crisis, increased our standing in the international community, increased the membership and membership participation, led several successful Urantia Book reader events, and improved communication and interaction among all levels of our associations. He participated as an observer to several ISB meetings and his input was valuable and appreciated there as well.

***P.911 - §7 Leadership is vital to progress. Wisdom, insight, and foresight are indispensable to the endurance of nations. And the quantity of such wise leadership has never exceeded one per cent of the population.***

## **URANTIA ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL ELECTIONS FOR ISB**

The UAI Representative Council completed the elections for members of the International Service Board. Susan Owen of SURF was elected ISB Secretary. Susan's email: [susanowen@earthlink.net](mailto:susanowen@earthlink.net) Susan is replacing Judy Van Cleave who accepted a position with Urantia Foundation as an Associate Trustee. Thank you Judy for all you have done for UAI and thank you Susan for stepping up to fill this very important position.

The RC also elected James Woodward as Study Group Committee Chairman for the ISB. James previously served as the UAI Executive Administrator along with many other positions both nationally and locally. We wish to thank James for his dedication to UAI both as the former Executive Administrator and now as Study Group Chair. Contact James at: [ubstudygroups@urantia-uai.org](mailto:ubstudygroups@urantia-uai.org)

Unfortunately, the candidate for the Dissemination Committee chair had to withdraw so that position is still vacant. If you are interested in being considered for this position, contact the UAI office at: [uaicentraloffice@urantia-uai.org](mailto:uaicentraloffice@urantia-uai.org) or call 773-572-1180.

## **UAI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

The 2009 UAI International Conference is getting closer and closer. The conference is will be April 17-21 in Malaga, Spain. Deadline for registrations is March 15th. That is less than three weeks with the conference being less than two months from now. Now is a good time to book your travel. The closer the date, the more expensive might be your flight. To register, click on the conference link at [www.urantia-uai.org](http://www.urantia-uai.org). This will be UAI's only international conference this year, the next one will be in 2012.

If you would like to contribute to the conference scholarship fund to help someone else to attend, you may use this email address to contribute by Paypal at [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com) or call the UAI office at 773-572-1180 for more information.

You may want to consider arriving earlier to visit as Madrid or Barcelona during the Holy Week, the week before the Conference. The Holy Week is a period when a lot of Spaniards travel so we recommend you visit Madrid or Barcelona these days. Many people visit Seville during the Holy Week for its famous processions. If you want to see a sample of religious devotion in a Catholic style, this is a place to visit during the Holy Week.

We would like to exhibit all kind of secondary works at the Conference. So if you've got some writings, study aids, diagrams... whatever, and you want to be exhibited or even sold, you'll have a place in the Conference venue! If you are interested, please contact us at [uai2009en@gmail.com](mailto:uai2009en@gmail.com) for further details.

High-speed trains connect Madrid to important cities such as Toledo, Seville, Cordoba, Barcelona and Malaga. You can see timetables and prices at <http://www.renfe.es/horarios/english/index.html>

We recommend visiting Granada to see its famous Alhambra; this is a "must" and you shouldn't miss the opportunity to visit this important monument if you are near.

Some multi-language links of interest (these are the ones in English):

- Tourism in Andalucia: [http://www.andalucia.org/index\\_en.html](http://www.andalucia.org/index_en.html)
- Granada Tourism : [http://www.turgranada.es/?id\\_idioma=2](http://www.turgranada.es/?id_idioma=2)
- Sevilla Tourism: [http://www.turismo.sevilla.org/paginas\\_en/portada.asp](http://www.turismo.sevilla.org/paginas_en/portada.asp)

- Malaga Tourism: [http://www.malagaturismo.com/home.jsp?id\\_idioma=2](http://www.malagaturismo.com/home.jsp?id_idioma=2)

All the information concerning the Conference that attendees might need for their trip to Spain, such as flights, places to visit, and links to points of interest will be posted on our website: [www.urantia.es/uai2009](http://www.urantia.es/uai2009). You can ask whatever you need to know by sending an email to [uai2009en@gmail.com](mailto:uai2009en@gmail.com).

## **YOUNG READER CONFERENCE BOULDER, COLORADO – JUNE 25-28**

Younger readers of *The Urantia Book* are organizing what should be a truly grand study conference, in the perfect place for cool summer nights and warm days with friends of all ages from around Urantia.

Click here for: [Event Details and Sign UP](#)

Designated "Youth Leader" Chris Wood sent the following notice:

We had so much fun last year, that we've decided to try it again, this time in Boulder, CO. As you may know, Boulder is a hot spot for readers of *The Urantia Book*, and will be a spectacular setting for a late June conference. Like KC, this conference will feature many of the young and not-quite-as-young-as-we-used-to-be readers, as well as local Boulder readers, artists, musicians, and creative spirits from the Greater Urantia Community.

The theme this year is The Second Mile and Beyond: What does it take for Duty and Compulsion to transform into Free Service and Devotion? How can our human community help evolve the Brotherhood of Man? What does it actually mean to strive for the "quality of thinking" that will characterize the next epoch?

"At first life was a struggle for existence; now, for a standard of living; next it will be for quality of thinking, the coming earthly goal of human existence." ~The Urantia Book (Paper 81, Section 6, Page 910)

Hey Ubyouth: How would you like to design a t-shirt for the conference in Boulder this summer?

T-shirts are usually a money losing deal, and since we try to keep things cheap at our conferences, we didn't do any last year. This year however, we're going to list our t-shirts online and have people advance order them. Because of this we can have multiple designs. So if you have a favorite quote or a some artwork you'd like to see on a conference t-shirt send me a file with the design. All moneys gained from the t-shirts go to conference scholarships. The details:

Date: Thursday June 25 – Sunday June 28, 2009

Location: University of Colorado – Boulder

Cost: \$260 early registration, \$300 normal registration, includes the program, room, and meals.

Registration: [https://www.regonline.com/63367\\_694721J](https://www.regonline.com/63367_694721J)

Our website in construction is [myspace.com/urantiaconferencekc](http://myspace.com/urantiaconferencekc)

*...In winning souls for the Master, it is not the first mile of compulsion, duty, or convention that will transform man and his world, but rather the second mile of free service and liberty-loving devotion that betokens the Jesusonian reaching forth to grasp his brother in love and sweep him on under spiritual guidance toward the higher and divine goal of mortal existence.  
~The Urantia Book (Paper 195, Section 10, Page 2084)*

Hope to see you all in Boulder! Chris Wood

## **UAI GLOBAL SEEDING PROJECT**

The UAI Global Seeding Project needs your help! UAI has purchased a large quantity of new Foundation books at a discount price. Details below in a message from Executive Administrator, Rick Lyon:

Due to the introduction of *The Urantia Book* with the new covers, Urantia Foundation has a large quantity of books that cannot be sold through the Foundation. We are very pleased to announce that Urantia Association International has completed an agreement with Urantia Foundation to purchase these books. These are brand new English paperbacks with the blue and white cover. This is a rare opportunity that UAI cannot afford to pass up. We intend to make these books available to all of our local and national associations for their dissemination projects.

One member of the ISB and another reader have made substantial contributions toward the purchase of these books. However, we need to turn to our members for the remainder of the funds required to complete the purchase of these books.

We are asking you to consider contributing to the Urantia Association International Global Seeding Fund so that we can complete this purchase and provide books to our associations as inexpensively as possible so that they can then provide books to readers and study groups in their areas or to areas where books are expensive or hard to find.

You may contribute by credit or debit card by calling the UAI office at 773-572-1180. You may mail a contribution to:

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You may also contribute via PayPal through our website [www.urantia-uai.org](http://www.urantia-uai.org). Please be sure to specify your contribution for our Global Seeding Fund, "GSF". Thank you for helping us with this opportunity

## **UAI DISTRIBUTES REVISED MEMBERSHIP FORM**

**Executive Administrator Rick Lyon recently forwarded UAI's new membership form. He writes:**

We are pleased to announce that the official membership application for Urantia Association International has been updated and approved. This application is currently available in English, French, and Spanish. For a copy of the UAI membership application, send your request to: [uaicentraloffice@urantia-uai.org](mailto:uaicentraloffice@urantia-uai.org)

## WHAT IS IN TIDINGS THIS MONTH?

**Urantia Association International's online news magazine TIDINGS is now available in five languages. This issue's cover has a "Korean Landscape Painting " Issue № 37. for Jan – Feb 2009 has the following items and stories:**

- **Inaugurating Inspiration**
- **Elections, present and past**
- **Call for Nominations**
- **Call to Conference in Spain this April**
- **Korean Urantia Association by Gary Rawlings**
- **Korean Readers Meet UAI President and Membership Chair To Form New Association**
- **A Personal Story from a Korean Reader from David Kim**
- **Finding and Spreading the Revelation in East Asia**
- **Fourth National Urantia Readers Meeting, Brazil by Susana Huttner Palaia**
- **24 Readers Meet for Study and Music**
- **Website Updates, Translation Edits and Dissemination Planning**
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- **Report from the German Meeting by Christian Ruch**
- **20 Readers Attend Second Meeting at Frankfurt**
- **German Audio Version Introduced**
- **How The Urantia Book Found Me by Dipti Bhakti**
- **Celestial Artisanhip**
- **Debut of a Musical Work [www.diptibhakti.com](http://www.diptibhakti.com)**
- **Personal Experience in Dissemination of UB by Gilles Bertrand**
- **Movies Unseen and Bookstore Placement in Canada**
- **In Memoriam — Father Bob by Scott Brooks. Alcide Paradis by Line St-Pierre**
- **Reader, Priest and Servant of all in Ohio Graduates**
- **Eulogy for Respected French Canadian Truth Seeker and Teacher**
- **Book Review—The Last Explorer from Tidings Editor Marian Hughes**
- **New Biography of Sir Hubert Wilkins, Original Forum Member and Intrepid Explorer/ Adventurer**
- **Click here to read [“Tidings”](#)**

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

"...You who are God-knowing and gospel-believing have already received the assurances of eternal life. Since your lives have been lived in the spirit and for the Father, nothing can be of serious concern to you. Kingdom builders, the accredited citizens of the heavenly worlds, are not to be disturbed by temporal upheavals or perturbed by terrestrial cataclysms. What does it matter to you who believe this gospel of the kingdom if nations overturn, the age ends, or all things visible crash, since you know that your life is the gift of the Son, and that it is eternally secure in the Father?

Having lived the temporal life by faith and having yielded the fruits of the spirit as the righteousness of loving service for your fellows, you can confidently look forward to the next step in the eternal career with the same survival faith that has carried you through your first and earthly adventure in sonship with God...." p1916

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## ARENA –NEWSLETTER OF ANZURA

*ARENA* magazine is a production of the Australian national association of UAI. Always informative and with good stories, *ARENA* keeps the other hemisphere in the know about what's going on down under. The last issue has intriguing thought gems on Adjuster attunement from ANZURA's recent study conference. Take this link to subscribe to ARENA. <http://www.urantia.org.au/anzura/arena.htm>

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 27-29: ISB meeting at Urantia Foundation

March 28: GLMUA Annual Membership Meeting - Chicago

April 17-21: UAI International Conference – Malaga, Spain

June 25 – 28: Urantia Young Reader Conference

To post your event here send the information to [messenger@urantiausa.com](mailto:messenger@urantiausa.com)

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