Dear Northwoods UUs

We are creating a Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Church Membership Resource Directory that offers a way for members to share and exchange knowledge, skills, and interests. We have an amazingly resourceful congregation with a wealth of know-how! This directory will make our collective resources accessible to each other. It's one more way to "learn, support, and serve one another" – as our Mission Statement urges us to do.

Inspiration for this project grew from both a philosophic reason and a practical one. First, our Vision Statement inspires Northwoods "to evolve into [our] potential to become a beacon, providing influence and leadership as an advocate for social and economic justice that reflects our ideals to the world." By identifying and collecting our resources, we can focus our efforts more effectively to continue to build our beloved community.

The practical reason for the directory is that the congregation, including our committees, can better know who can help with what because we will know more about our members. For example, we can help each other with computer skills, house issues, vehicle questions, recommendations for repairs, workshop topics, leadership expertise, outdoor skills/camping, fishing, gardening, caregiving, writing, etc. The directory can help us advocate for each other economically, and if members desire, portions of their sales may be donated to Northwoods.

Complete the submission form that accompanies this letter if you wish to join in this project. Of course, participation is completely voluntary. You can pick up a submission form at a bourse table between services on Sundays. You may complete the form and return it to me at the bourse table or to my email—Vicki Bradley: treespace@comcast.net

We are eager to hear from you!

Sincerely, Vicki Bradley

Endorsed by the following committees:

Committee on Ministry, Membership, Congregational Life, and Leadership Development

Additional support and direction from the Board of Trustees, the Stewardship Committee, Hallie Moore, and Susan Hammond.

Northwoods of Membership Resource Directory Submission Form
1. Name
2. How do we contact you? (Please provide your telephone number and email address)
Sharing Your Knowledge and Volunteer Skills
3. Any subject learned, taught, and/or experienced
4. Any useful, thought-provoking, engaging information
5. Hobbies and Interests (what you do for fun)
6. World View(s) to share and discuss such as any science(s), religion(s), and/or other Views (Feel free to include whether you want to share with individuals and/or in a group discussion)
7. Professional and job-related skills you may be interested in offering to NUUC on a voluntary basis
Sharing Your Goods, Services, and Skills (and maybe benefitting NUUC)
8. List the goods, services, and skills you can make for or offer to individual members of NUUC
9. Compensation you will accept such as none/free, barter, money
Portion of monetary compensation donated to NUUC:
None
Variable
% of all transactions with NUUC members
% of all transactions at NUUC events
(Feel free to use the back of this form to include additional information.)