



The Green Sanctuary of the
Unitarian Universalist Society

Invites you to the
Celebration and Dedication of the Solar Energy System
At noon on Sunday, March 30, 2008
56 North Halifax Drive, Ormond Beach

A year ago, the congregation of the Unitarian Universalist Society of the Daytona Beach Area (Ormond Beach) dedicated itself to becoming a Green Sanctuary of the Unitarian Universalist Association. To this end, we made a number of pledges:

To reduce our use of non-renewable energy and thus our carbon footprint.

To restore the property behind the UU building, which is one of the last natural coastal hammocks on the beachside in Ormond Beach, by removing invasive species and planting native ones.

To plant gardens which will attract local birds and butterflies and other useful insects.

To create a children's organic food garden to learn how healthy food helps us have a healthy planet.

To reduce our use of water, plastic, paper and other resources and to recycle everything that we do use.

To educate ourselves, our children and the community about the changes we will need to halt the march toward global warming and international conflict that are a result of our addiction to non-renewable energy sources.

In fact, we pledged to become a beacon of greener living to the community in every way we can.

We are rapidly fulfilling our pledges. One of our particular dreams was to have solar power for our building. That dream has come true. With the support of the UU Board of Trustees, its minister, Pastor Bud Murphy, the Green Sanctuary Team and the entire congregation, in February, we installed the largest and most complete solar energy system in Volusia County. We now have a solar hot water system, two solar fans to reduce heat in the attic and a 10kw photo-voltaic solar electric system. Together they will produce about half of our energy needs.

Mr. Bill Gallagher of Solar-Fit Energy Management Systems has worked tirelessly to help us find a way to develop and complete this project. And Mr. Jim Weite of the Cypress Coquina Bank helped us find the best way to finance it.

We invite you to come and celebrate with the Unitarian Universalist Society, to see and hear about our solar project and to visit the coastal hammock behind the UU building, which is well on its way to restoration and the new butterfly garden at the northeast corner of the property.

Please call Gaia Davies at 386-615-2427 to RSVP or for more information.

