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Minister's Column

This month I'm headed to New Orleans for the UUA General Assembly. I've never been to New Orleans, although I drove through Louisiana once while moving from Texas to Rhode Island. While dragging a car behind a moving van was not the right time, in my husband's opinion, to try to go into the city.

New Orleans has been in the news a lot this month, because they are taking down some prominent Confederate statues there. As someone with a Southern heritage, I know how complex this is, and have heard the arguments against doing something like this all my life. But it's the right thing for New Orleans. As their mayor explained, the statues are a product of the Cult of the Lost Cause. Mayor Landrieu stated, "The historic record is clear: the Robert E. Lee, Jefferson Davis, and P.G.T. Beauregard statues were not erected just to honor these men, but as part of the movement which became known as The Cult of the Lost Cause. This 'cult' had one goal — through monuments and through other means — to rewrite history to hide the truth, which is that the Confederacy was on the wrong side of humanity."

I had heard the arguments of the "Cult of the Lost Cause" all my life, but this speech really affected me. What the statues coming down made me think about are what are the ways in which attempts to rewrite history are

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Sunday Services at 11:00 am "Embodiment"

June 4 - "International Flower Communion"

– Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

This year is the 95th anniversary of the founding of the Unitarian Church in Prague, where the flower communion was created. We'll celebrate with them as we share our flower communion together. Bring a flower representing yourself and add it to the bouquet of humanity.

June 11 - "What's Going On?"

– Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Changes in our denomination are happening quickly these days. As Rev. Cindy prepares to leave for General Assembly, she'll catch us up on the changes in our faith and the issues in front of us.

June 18 - "The Jackson

Non-discrimination Ordinance"

– Presenter: Jackson City Councilman,
Derek Dobies

June 25 - "Global Warming and

The Nature of Science"

– Presenter: Victor Marshall

– Lay Leader: Tom Pepper

Calendar

	Board Meeting ~ Is Not Meeting in June
1 Thurs.	AUUW Meeting ~ 12:30 pm
4 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum ~ 11:00 am
5 Mon.	Art of Living Meditation Classes ~ 7:00-8:30 pm
	Membership Meeting ~ TBA
8 Thurs.	Outreach Committee ~ Jackson District Library 3:00 pm
11 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum ~ 11:00 am
11 Sunday	Caring Committee Meeting ~ After the Service
12 Mon.	Art of Living Meditation Classes ~ 7:00-8:30 pm
13 Tue.	Meet Your Neighbor Coffee ~ 9:00 - 11:00 am
13 Tue.	RE Meeting ~ 6:30 pm @ Carnegie Library
15 Thurs.	Personal Care Ministry ~ @ 1st Baptist Church, 201 S. Jackson ~ 4:30-6:30 pm
18 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ Jackson City Councilman, Derek Dobies ~ 11:00 am
18 Sunday	The Bellnote Newsletter ~ Submissions Due
19 Mon.	Art of Living Meditation Classes ~ 7:00-8:30 pm
21 Wed.	White Tara Healing Meditations ~ 7:00-8:30 pm
25 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ Presenter: Victor Marshall ~ 11:00 am
26 Mon.	Art of Living Meditation Classes ~ 7:00-8:30 pm

