

UU Congregation of the Palisades Moves to New Location

The UU Congregation of the Palisades (UUCP) in Englewood NJ is moving to a new location. Starting Sunday, March 1, the Congregation will be located at the Flat Rock Brook Nature Center, 443 Van Nostrand Avenue, Englewood NJ. The Congregation's mailing address will continue to be PO Box 709, Englewood NJ 07631.

For the last two years the UUCP has been meeting in the basement gym of a local church. The congregation moved there after its landlord at its previous location ran into a zoning problem with the town and the UUCP was forced to find new space with only four weeks' notice. Many congregants were not happy with the ambiance of the gymnasium. In addition, it did not make a good impression on first time visitors. Last fall, the UUCP Board of Trustees appointed a team to locate new space. In late December, the team notified the Board that space had become available at Flat Rock Brook for about a third less cost than the UUCP was currently paying to rent the gym. Flat Rock Brook is a wonderfully spiritual place and was the first home of the UUCP until its children's religious education program outgrew the space at that time. Currently, the children's religious education program is not as large as it was when UUCP moved out of Flat Rock, but the congregation feels that this is a space where the congregation can really grow both the adult membership and the religious education program again with the hope of outgrowing the space again in a few years.