

QUUest 2016-17 Annual Report Submitted by Co-Chair Lucia Heinold

The QUUest Bookstore's ministry is to support members' and visitors' spiritual journeys by providing a welcoming center with a stimulating selection of UUA and general books addressing spiritual growth, social and environmental justice and other UU seven principles.

QUUest is open between services September – June and after the single service during the summer.

In spite of reducing our hours of operation in 2016, QUUest sold \$6,235.00 of books at retail and transferred \$3,000 to the UUA general fund. This is the same amount we transferred last year. Thank you to the congregation for adapting to our new hours.

The highlight of the year has been welcoming Tim Richards, retired U-M Dearborn librarian, to our group. He is handling the buying and invoice processing. Of course, we also order books recommended by the team and the congregation, and welcome special orders.

In 2017 we will continue to streamline our operations. The first step has been to work with Ed Lynn to move two of our suppliers to being reimbursed by UUA credit card rather than checks.

Each Sunday, three people staff the book-selling table, two for the selling social hour and one to help put books away quickly. There are eleven team members now: Roberta Billingsly, Evelyn Burns, Terry Butcher, Elsie Dyke, Anne Hagiwara, Marion Holt, Lucia Heinold, Lineve McKie, Tim Richards, Linda Sprankle, and Joyce Phillips. We always welcome additional bookstore workers. Schedules are flexible. Attending monthly meetings is optional. Interested? Contact Lucia Heinold at Heinoldcia@aol.com or 734-996-2796.