

Feb 21,
2010



This Week's Happenings! (Check the newsletter for details.)

Sunday, Feb 21

Choir Rehearsal - 9:45am
Cafe Socrates - 9:45am
Worship & RE 11:00am
Kitchen Orient. - 12:15pm
OWL - 1:30pm
Concert - 2:00pm

Tuesday, Feb 23

Ladies of the Evening - 6:00pm

Wednesday, Feb 24

News & Notes deadline
A Chosen Faith - 7:00pm

Thursday, Feb 25

Women's Discussion Group - 1:30pm
Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm

Friday, Feb 26

Sophomore Reunion - 5:00pm

Saturday, Feb 27

No events scheduled

Sunday, Feb 28

Choir Rehearsal - 9:45am
Worship & RE - 11:00am
Secret Pals Revealed - 12:30pm

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

News and Notes



Only 8 days Left to Sign Up for Circle Suppers

Deadline is February 28th so don't forget to sign up!

To fill out the form below first click forward, then fill out the form below, if you would like to host a supper at your house put an x in the box for the month you would like to host and your preference of adults, intergenerational or to be a substitute, then send to vnapoli@sbcglobal.net

Circle Suppers 3rd Saturday of the month for March, April and May Forms due by February 28th 2010

Name:
Address:
Phone#:
e-mail address:
Children's name if coming:
Adults only Intergenerational Substitute only
Dates you can Host Supper: 3/20 4/17 5/15

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Current Action of the Nominating Committee

The 2009-2010 Nominating Committee is working on a new process this year. We have designed a few questions to use as a basis for conversations that we plan to have with as many members as possible during the next 3-4 weeks. The responses we receive will be used to begin to develop a list of members who are excited and willing to use their skill/talents in support of our Fellowship. Please help us to help ourselves and contact one of us if by chance you are not contacted directly.

We look forward to visiting with you:

Anne Bernhardt
Katie Krupp
Lorrie Napoli
Bonnie Wamsley
Joanne Milburn
Andrea Brown

**Sunday Worship Service
and Religious Exploration Classes
begin at 11 am at:**

at 2074 Parker (Suite 100) St in SLO

Contact Info:

(805) 544-1669

Email: uuslo@slonet.org

Website: www.uufsloc.org

**Mailing Address: 2074 Parker
(Suite 100)**

San Luis Obispo, CA, 93401

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Mission Statement

**The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
of San Luis Obispo County
is a diverse religious community
providing a nurturing environment
where individuals are encouraged
in their search for truth
and supported in acting
on their beliefs.**

**We welcome all who would share
in our open, challenging journey.**

In Our Community ...



From Religious Exploration

It's a BUSY day in RE today. We continue our **Toolbox of Faith**; the 6-8 graders have their first **Neighboring Faiths** class, and the **K-1 OWL** class meets starting at 1:30 this afternoon. Hope you packed a lunch!

And speaking of lunch ... Secret Pal Week 3. Have you figured out who your Pal is yet? I hope not, but I know some of you get pretty clever about it. Be sure you have filled out a lunch slip and put it in your Pal's Bag so they know what you want when you meet to eat NEXT SUNDAY - Feb 28th. Blank slips are hanging on the wall between the banners.

In **Joy**, David Robinson
544-1669, uufslocdre@yahoo.com

RE Teaching Schedule

Feb 21: Satia Hawken-Widmann, Don Reynolds, Christina Zaro
Feb 28: Janet Murphy, Birgit Simons, Jaymie and Scott Taylor, Alexandra Baele
March 1: Ly-Lan Lofgren, Andy Pease, Angie Berlin, Kerry Taylor

The Kitchen Orientation has a firm date. February 21, 12:30-1:15, before the concert.

There are still some places open. Anyone is invited. This will be of special interest to Circle leaders and committee people who may at some time have events which need kitchen use.

Please call or email for a reservation. Meredith Whitaker 594-1133 rumby1@juno.com

Admin News

Last chance to request info for the Budget. Don't forget, the process of constructing next year's budget starts **Tuesday, March 2nd** at 6:30. We'll be meeting in the RE Chapel. If you need any additional info to put together your request, I need to know

by Monday, Feb 22nd. If you have an Income and/or Expense line item in the budget, we need your input so please be prepared.

Thanks
David Robinson, Administrator
544-1669; uuslo@slonet.org

Hospitality notes:

Speaking of the budget: Did you know that the Fair Trade coffee we enjoy after the service each Sunday is getting more expensive. It is a budget item for Hospitality. It is supposed to pay for itself with those voluntary contributions of a \$for each person served. Currently we aren't making it. Our recent budget report shows that we are almost to the end of our allotment with months yet to go.

We so appreciate the donations put in our basket on Sundays. Be sure you're helping us keep our pledge to Fair Trade by contributing your share. Thanks. Meredith Whitaker
594-1133 rumby1@juno.com

Opportunities to Volunteer within the Congregation:

- Publish the weekly News and Notes
- Publish the monthly Newsletter
- Arrange for Sunday setup team & refreshments
- Volunteer to staff the office from 9 to 1 on Fridays

If any of the preceding tickle your fancy or pique your curiosity, send an e-mail to "uuslo@slonet.org" to volunteer or ask questions you might have about any of these tasks.

The Altar Link Committee needs volunteers to help set up the sanctuary at 10 am on Sundays. Work includes arranging chairs and altar items and general preparation for services. It would be good to have at least three people each week. If you are interested, please email Carol Norton at rumby1@juno.com.

The Worship Arts Committee wishes to establish a Flower Committee which would have charge of bringing a suitable floral arrangement or plants for the altar each week. If you are interested, please email Carol Norton at rumby1@juno.com

Service Thanks...

To our dedicated Worship Associates:
Feb 21 - Carole Norton
Feb 28 - Kate Throop
Mar 7 - Sylvia Willard



To our Greeters:

Coordinator: Chris Cummings

Feb 21 (3rd Sunday)
John Faulkner & Chris Cummings
Feb 28 (4th Sunday)
Jan Clarke & Ralph Whitaker
March 7 (1st Sunday)
Erna Kristensen & Dick Dannells



To our Welcome Teams:

Coordinator: Andrea Brown

Feb 21 (3rd Sunday)
Ann Williams, Frank Basich & Gina Whitaker
Feb 28 (4th Sunday)
Laurie Napoli, Patricia Gulliver & Bonnie Wamsley
Mar 7 (1st Sunday)
Pat Boyd and Andrea Caulfield

To our Support Team & their Leaders

Feb 21 - Ladies of the Evening
June Minikel
Feb 28 - TBDs
Barney Oldfield
Mar 7 - Various Volunteers
Roscoe Tanner



To our Joys, Sorrows & Concern Volunteers :

Coordinator: Andrea Brown

Feb 21 - Jan Clarke
Feb 28 - Barbara Watson
Mar 7 - Ann Williams



Ethics – An Exploration in Personal Morality

In the comic strip "Crock," the General complains to Crock, "Sir, I'm afraid the men are losing their moral ethics...they don't seem to know right from wrong." Crock replies, "That's no problem. Right is what you can get away with... wrong is what you can't."

Hmmm...Mark your calendar to attend *Ethics – An Exploration in Personal Morality*, led by Rev. Helen Carroll beginning in March. Our classes will begin at 6:30 each Wednesday evening and will consider the following:

- March 3: Authority – Can We Be Good Without God?
 - March 10: Responsibility – The Difficult Art of Doing Good
 - March 17: Situation – What is Going on Here Morally?
 - March 31: Intention – Does the End Justify the Means?
 - April 7: Relationships – In a Different Voice
 - April 14: Values/Character – Is the Golden Rule Enough?
- Interested? Have questions?? Contact Rev. Helen (459-9696 or helencarroll@hotmail.com)



Want to Help Build a One-Stop Homeless Services Center in South County?

It's time South County had some services for homeless individuals! If you want to help create a one-stop services center, with many amenities, and have fun doing it, plan to attend this dinner on March 13! You could be served dinner by Supervisor Katcho Achadjian!

The **5 Cities Homeless Coalition** will be holding a fundraiser at Huckleberry's Restaurant in Pismo Beach on Saturday March 13th. There will be two dinners served at 5:00 and 7:00pm. Tickets are \$25.00 each. Please contact Matt Lombardini at (805) 710-4370 to purchase tickets. The Coalition has plans to create a one-stop care facility that would provide a permanent location for the People's Kitchen in addition to a health clinic, mental health, drug & alcohol counseling, a veteran's affairs office, help with housing and applying for jobs, showers that open at 6am for the people who need to get cleaned up before they go to work, telephones, computers, washing machines, and a mail drop. Please visit www.5chc.org for more information.



2008 Sophomore Class Reunion

If you became a member of the Fellowship in 2008, you are cordially invited to a potluck on Feb 26 at 6:00pm at 2074 Parker in SLO. If you were unable to attend the 2007 2-year reunion last year, you are welcome to attend the 2008 gathering. Please RSVP to June Minikel at Ph: 545-8575 by Feb 19th. (P.S. Her computer is down, so don't try to e-mail her.)



Secret Pal 2010

Our third Secret Pal exchange take place today. Be sure to fill out a lunch slip and drop it in your Pal's bag TODAY! Blank slips are hanging on the wall between the banners. Next Sunday all will be REVEALED. Watch your email for details early next week. Don't forget there is an OOPS box near my desk in RE if you need it. David Robinson uufslocdre@yahoo.com; 544-1669

European/Asian Teak Large Armoire w/tv storage, etc. Make an offer. Photos available. Linda Schweitzer 235-3835



The **Women's Discussion Group** meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of most months.

The NEXT MEETING is **Thursday February 25, 2010 at 1:30** at the home of **Eileen Pritchard at 4350 Sunflower Way, SLO.** phone 543-0405. **Eileen's** subject will be "**The Art Instinct.**" Refreshments will be provided by **Pat Miller and Ruth Reasor.** As always please plan to carpool, if possible

For general questions about the group please contact DeeDee DeSantos at 543-9211.

Directions to Eileen's:Go to corner of Broad and Tank Farm Rd. Turn LEFT on Tank Farm RD (Von's is on left) Drive East on Tank Farm Rd. to Poinsettia. Turn RIGHT and go to Stop sign. Turn LEFT on Fuller and continue. When the street turns to the right it becomes Sunflower. Eileen's is on the left...4350 Sunflower.

Lit Wits book discussion group will be meeting Tuesday March 2, 2010 7:00pm to 8:30pm at the Fellowship 2074 Parker St San Luis Obispo. The book for discussion is ***In Defense of Food*** by Michael Pollan, "A shocking yet essential treatise on the industrialized western diet."

All are welcome to come and discuss the book. Contact Richard Knight at 489-9777



**Chamber Music at the Fellowship
Just Duet with soprano Mary Sue Gee
and mezzo-soprano Judith Dunlore**

Double your afternoon pleasure as Mary Sue and Judith explore composers who have made this voicing beautiful from music of the sacred, romance, dance, and the playful. Both sing and teach voice locally. Mary Sue has portrayed Mozart heroines with Pacific Repertory Opera and the SLO Festival Mozaic. Judith has had an eclectic voice career in Southern California and the Central Coast, voice directing musicals, performing with the Canzona Women's Ensemble and teaching the Estill voice technique.

2:00 p.m. Sunday February 21 at the UU Fellowship
Donation \$15, students \$5, children 12 and under free



Israel and Palestine: Reframe the Conflict; Change the Discourse!

March 3, Dr. Jeff Halper will speak at Steynberg Gallery, 1531 Monterey St., SLO from 7-9 PM. This event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Halper is a professor of anthropology, distinguished author, and internationally acclaimed speaker, and has taught at universities in Israel (Haifa and Ben Gurion) the US, Latin America and Africa. In 2006 he was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize by the American Friends Service Committee. He is the author of a widely used resource manual of articles and maps (revised in 2009) ***Obstacles to Peace: A Re-Framing of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict***. His book, ***An Israeli in Palestine: Resisting Dispossession, Redeeming Israel (2008-Pluto Press)*** chronicles his work resisting the demolition of existing homes to make way for Israeli settlements in Gaza, Golan Heights and the West Bank .

This event is co-sponsored by Code Pink and the Central Coast Clergy and Laity for Justice. Following Dr. Harper's talk, written questions will be taken from the audience. Snacks and beverages will be available for sale at the Gallery coffee bar.

Joys from the Feb 14 Service

Truman Stickney - His son Jeff has been invited to present a paper at a meeting of the Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain at Oxford University next month.

Scott Cleere - Jeremy & Deborah are on a road trip to check out Sonoma State and Humboldt State in search of the school where Jeremy will continue his education next year. It might even be Vancouver.

Katie Krupp - She just returned from a three week trip to Namibia, Africa, that was fabulous!

Ron Sampson & Vern Isakson - Ron's mother turned 95 on February 2nd. In January she walked the 1.2 mile loop trail up and down the mountain at Bryce Thompson Arboretum along with Ron & Vern. We can only hope that we can all be so spry at 95. Also, their house in Paradise is finished and rented out so they no longer need to drive to Chico every month.

Kay Perryman-Snow - She is pleased to say that Friends of the Prado Day Center sold all 250 tickets for their fundraiser, "Culinary Kitchen." Twelve UU Fellowship members were there to support the event.

Anne Furtick - She has been considering moving to Virginia where her two younger children live. Her son became very ill so she went back there to help care for him. After wading through two to three feet snow drifts, icy roads, and missed flights, she welcomed coming back to our fair city.

MORE INFORMATION NEEDED: When you fill out the form to share your Joy, Sorrow, or Concern, please indicate whether or not you want it printed in the next week's News & Notes. Also, it would be helpful to circle the area where you live at the bottom of the form.

Thanks, Jan Clarke, Pathways Coordinator



FAIR TRADE HANDICRAFTS SALE

The wonderful Fair Trade Handicrafts Sale we have each holiday season needs some new energy and a fresh outlook. I want to devote my time to the coffee/chocolate/tea/rice, etc part of Fair Trade and let someone else take over the handicrafts.

We have shared the Handicraft sale with the Mission for the past three years, but they have decided to do only Fair Trade catalog sales next year so we will not be able to use the location we've used for the past three years.

If you are interested in learning about this opportunity to help disadvantaged people around the world as well as helping our Fellowship, please contact Renee Besel, Chair of the Social Responsibility Circle renee.smith.besel@gmail.com or Katie Krupp ckrupp@calpoly.edu.