



FELLOWSHIP NEWS

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Our Mission

- Provide a place where people are inspired to think about and discuss values, ethics, and the meaning of their lives
- Stimulate spiritual growth in children and adults through exposure to a wide variety of religious thought and experience
- Provide mutual support, caring and fellowship to our members
- Provide support of the larger community through service and social action
- Appreciate and honor our connectedness with all living things

June 2015

Sunday Services at 10:30

June Theme: The Father

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June 7: “Gurus, Governments, and the Dangerous Dance of Trust”

Rev. Fa Jun

Is trust safe? How do we decide who to trust, and when? How do we decide how much? Sometimes it is proposed that we should trust someone either fully, or not at all - as is often proposed in relationships with a spiritual teacher, with one's government, or even intimate relationships. This Sunday will explore the nuances of these relationships, and perhaps find out that things are not quite so “Black & White” as they seem.

June 14: ““Masculine” Virtues for the Modern World”

Rev. Fa Jun

In the modern world, the line between masculinity and femininity is blurred. We have found that many of the traditional roles for men and women have been arbitrarily assigned by cultural voices. We have freed ourselves from being stuck in roles determined by our physical gender.

In any world, modern or ancient, the best parts of what are traditionally masculine or feminine can be hard to cultivate. The virtues, the most ennobling aspects. Today we will put ourselves in touch with Strength, Respect, Solidity, Brotherhood, Directness, Discipline, and other qualities traditionally seen as “masculine”. We will work toward establishing healthy relationships with these virtues, regardless of our gender or history.

June 21: “Honoring the Fathers”

Rev. Fa Jun

The summer solstice has long been a celebration of the solar force of the Sky Father in many earth-centered cultures and religions. We modern Americans get the added bonus of an opportunity to honor our earthly fathers.

Come hear stories of fatherhood's trials, successes, and failures. Take time to celebrate or mourn your relationship with dear-old-dad. Join us in contacting the Father within, and learning how each of us can offer a form of “fathering” to those who need it in our communities.

June 28: “Thresholds on the Summer Solstice and Age of Aquarius”

At the Summer Solstice, the Sun reaches its highest position in the sky and the hottest days of the summer are still ahead. Mother Earth is heavy with the bounty of the autumnal harvest and the Father, the Sun, is with her.

While we revel in the hot days of summer, our sub-conscious is aware we are poised on a threshold. On a greater scale in our Earth's history, we are leaving an Age of secrets, mystery and confusion to one of purification of our inner spirit and outer physical selves; it is time to honor the elements that have been here much longer than you and me. Again, our sub-conscious is aware we are poised on a threshold.

For pagans, the Sun is a symbol of protection, and we will honor the Sun's holiday by making protective amulets for both the success of the harvest and for ourselves, and a bright threshold.

June Theme: The Father

During the time of the summer solstice, many ancient people felt naturally called to honor the solar principle, identified with the “sky father” or the sun.

Like the sun or the sky father of old, we may relate to our own fathers as something bright and nourishing, or something far-off and aloof. Some of us grew up in religious traditions that worship a god who lives in the sky - and doesn't seem to have much to do with this world except to deliver expectations and punishment from time to time.

Our world, it seems, may be out of touch with it's healthy masculine. We have the power to protect each other, yet still we go to war. We have the power to think of new systems, to go on our warrior's quest, but we often reinforce old ways that continue to harm some communities, while benefitting others.

This month we'll take a look into the masculine brain. For all that it is hierarchical, testosterone influenced, not as connection oriented as the feminine brain, it is beautiful. We will work to look with loving eyes on this father within us, so that we can bring those masculine values out into the light of the summer sun, and shine to those around us who need our care.



Los Gatos Creek Trail Cleanup A Success !

UUFLG members joined over 40 other volunteers in the National River Day cleanup at Vasona Park and along the Los Gatos Creek Trail on May 16. Over 100 pounds of trash and about 60 pounds of recyclables were hauled from this site alone, one of many being cleaned that day. Not able to attend May 16? Mark your calendar now for the September 19 fall cleanup at the same beautiful park.

*Thank you for wearing your name tag on Sunday mornings,
and for parking on the street when possible to make room for our newcomers.*

Olly, Olly Auction ...

Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are!

June 20, 5:30 – 9:00 PM

We're looking for great ideas for the SERVICES and ORIGINAL ARTWORK you will offer to our members and friends at our silent auction. This year we aren't auctioning trinkets or heirlooms or clothing or toys.

Services can be any kind of service or experience that others might enjoy or need. Past offerings have included rides to the airport, consulting in your field of expertise, babysitting, tickets to events, massage, pies, play readings, photo restoration, and the always-popular DINNERS, and of course a week at your vacation house!

The Auction is on June 20 from 5:30 to 9:00 PM and will include a potluck supper and fun for the children, with childcare provided. Please let Maggi Benson know what you plan to bring for the potluck (maggibe@gmail.com).

And contact Ann Campbell (annbcampbell@gmail.com) with information about the services or artwork you wish to offer. Help with the event is always welcome.



CPR

CPR/AED Presentation

SAVE THE DATE AND TIME: Our Caring Committee will offer a cardiopulmonary resuscitation/automated, external defibrillator class after church on June 7. It will be held in the West Room at noon after coffee hour. Nurses will present a ten-minute video and will be on hand to help with the equipment.

Those who wish may practice on a mannequin (mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is no longer required) and learn how to use the external defibrillator. This presentation will be very informative, and we hope you will be able to attend.

SoulCollage® is on summer hiatus for June and July. It will resume on Saturday, August 15, from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Kathryn P. Harper



UUFLG Birthdays

June

- 3 - Louis Gendzel
- 8 - Joelle Gendzel
- 10 - Nicki Connelly
- 10 - Luigi Rosasto
- 15 - Francie Perren
- 24 - Kathryn Harper

INTERESTED IN WHAT THE BOARD IS UP TO? The Board minutes are listed under “Administration” on the right hand side of the home page of our website www.UUFLG.org.

HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO THE BOARD? A guest commentary time for members can be made available at the beginning of each monthly Board of Trustees meeting. Contact Jim Beebe (jebeebe1102@yahoo.com) for more information.

Items for the monthly newsletter are to be submitted (by the **20th** of the month) to **Glen Marchant** at: UUFLGnews@att.net. Please submit articles and e-mail attachments as **single spaced MS Word documents, .rtf** (Rich Text format), or **plain text**, and limit to less than 200 words. The purpose of this newsletter is to foster communication and planning among friends and members. However, due to the size constraints of the printing, we regretfully cannot print opinion pieces.



JUNE 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	6:30p - 8:00p Women's Spirituality Group	10:00a - 11:30a Tuesday Chalice Circle 10:30a-12:30p "So and Sew"	5:00p - 6:00p Farmigo Food Pickup	10:30a - 11:30a Finance Committee Meeting 12:00p - 1:30p, Retired UU Men's Lunch	4:00p - 6:00p Rev. Fa Jun Office Hrs (by appt)	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:00a - 10:15a Lifespan Learning 9:30a - 10:00a Morning Meditation 10:30a -11:30a Sunday Service 12:00p - 1:15p Social Action Team 12:00p - 1:00p CPR Class 2:00p - 4:00p Rev. Fa Jun Off. Hrs (by Appt)	7:30p - 9:30p Great Books Discussion		5:00p - 6:00p Farmigo Food Pickup	9:45a - 12:00p Thursday Morning Women's Group	4:00p - 6:00p Rev. Fa Jun Office Hrs (by appt)	9:30a - 1:30p SoulCollage®
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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