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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

July 2014 Sunday Services at 10:30

July 6:

"The Girl Who Wouldn't Take "No" for an Answer" Martha Kendall

In her program, Martha Kendall explains how Nellie Bly, a gutsy girl from Pittsburgh, achieved international fame as a daring reporter for Joseph Pulitzer's newspaper "The World." Thanks to Martha's imaginary time machine, Nellie Bly herself is expected to make an appearance.

Martha Kendall is a Los Gatos resident and world traveler. Last year she spoke of her family's experiences in a bicycle trip across northern Spain. This summer she and her husband will bicycle up the Mississippi River pathway.

July 13: The Power of a Yogi's Retreat Rev Fa Jun

Everyone needs a little time away now and again. The mystics of every tradition have prized, down through the centuries, formal retreat practices that maximize the wisdom one can find in solitude. From Thoreau's time on Walden pond, to the Vision Quest of many American peoples, to the traditional 3 year 'Great Retreats' of the Tibetan Buddhists, time spent in solitude is seen to confer some special insight upon the hermit. This sermon will explore how we might find this kind of time apart in our hectic modern world - even if it is just for a few minutes every morning or evening. Come ready to rest the mind in a quiet space together and restore the inner world!

July 20: "The Paradox of Change"

Christy Baker

Change is inherent and constant in life: no one moment is the same as the one before. At times we actively seek transformation in ourselves or the world. At other times we feel blown about by changes we didn't initiate such as death or job loss. Whether unexpected grief arrived or triumphant joy, mindfulness and compassionate presence can accompany us as gentle teachers.

Christy Baker is a UU ministerial candidate who graduated from SKSM in 2011. She works at the Stanford Cancer Institute and preaches, teaches, and does rites of passage in various UU congregations. Prior work has included community organizing and advocacy with UULM-CA and congregational administration.

July 27: "Spiritual Café"

After a short summary in the Sanctuary, the congregation goes to deck to reflect more directly in small groups to discuss the question of the day. This sharing is meant to deepen each person's understanding of the topic and also deepen the connections/friendships of people who come to our services. Guiding questions, as well as coffee and tea, will be available to facilitate the discussions.

PACK-A-BACK DRIVE

Since 2010 we have sought your help to assist Sacred Heart Community Service in providing underprivileged children with necessary supplies to start their school year. Again this year we have been assigned grades three and four and will supply as many filled backpacks as we can.

There are two ways you can help: Donate school supplies as listed below and/or backpacks (no blue or red, please; black preferred) or make a financial contribution and we will do the shopping. If you are giving a check, please make it out to UUFLG and mark "Pack-a-Back" in the memo line.

Our drive begins July 6th and ends July 20th. There will be a box in the foyer to receive donations. If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Hill, Jim Beebe or Coralee Linton.

What is Needed by July 20th: 1 Backpack, 1 eraser, 2 glue sticks, 2 pocket folders, 1 ruler, 1 pack of mechanical pencils, 1 pack of 16 or more crayons, 1 pack of markers, 1 pencil sharpener, 1 pack of ballpoint pens, 2 packs of wide-ruled paper, 3 wide-ruled notebooks (neat-tear preferred), 1 three-ring binder, \$20 gift card for shoes (to anywhere shoes are sold).

Please give what you can to make this a successful drive. Your donations will be very much appreciated.

Join others for a walk

in beautiful Belgatos Park on the fourth Friday of the month. On July 25th at 10:00 am. for an hour long walk. Meet me in the parking lot at Begatos Park. Located just minutes from church at 308 Belgatos Lane Los Gatos, CA. Take Blossom Hill Rd to Belgatos Rd. Go past Mulberry school and the parking lot is on the left.

See you there!

Call if you have any questions. Julie Morgan at 650- 817-5118

SoulCollage®

Join Kathryn Harper on Saturday, July 19, from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and delve into creativity! SoulCollage® is a fun, relaxing way to play with images and explore new avenues for inner wisdom and discovery. All supplies are provided.

A donation of \$10-15 is appreciated to offset the cost of supplies, but no one is turned away for lack of funds. Class size is limited to 12.

Please email kathryn@pobox.com by July 15 if you plan to attend.

Great Books Discussion Group

On Monday, July 14, 2014 at 7:30 PM, the UUFLG Great Books discussion group will meet to discuss "A Letter Concerning Toleration" by John Locke.

July Birthdays

10 - Doris Boyd

15 - Lou Yabroff

29 - Dave Coldren



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

Economic Justice Summit

coming on October 4!

UUFLG is collaborating with UUFS and the UU Justice Ministry of CA to host this event.

The summit will deepen our knowledge of economic justice issues here in suburbia, as well as ways we can help address them. We will be showing portions of the film "Inequality for All," hearing presentations by three speakers on local economic justice issues, and holding small-group discussions.

If you are interested in helping plan this event, please contact Lynn Golbetz (lynngolbetz@comcast.net) or Ellen Hill (ellen_hill@att.net).

For more information, check out http://action.uujmca.org/c/1561/p/salsa/event/common/public/?event_KEY=71372.

Can you spare a room for an young adult?

The UU Justice Ministry is very excited to have two interns for the summer, from June to August. Katie Hardiman and Sierra Loya are part of the UU College of Social Justice Global Justice Summer Internship Program and UUJM is happy to have them join us to work on environmental justice and immigrant justice efforts.

There's just one thing left -- housing.

These young adults are amazing and were granted internships through a highly competitive process and represent some of our most promising justice makers of the future! If you have a spare bedroom or know of someone who does, please consider housing one of the interns for eight weeks. Katie will join us on June 16th, with Sierra joining us on June 30. Since neither of them will have a car, access to public transportation would be greatly beneficial.

If you can donate housing, or know someone who could, please call me on my cell phone at 530.312.9615 or email me at evan@uujmca.org.

Thank you,

Evan Junker Executive Director

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.

<u>HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO THE BOARD?</u> 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.

JULY 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		10:00a-11:30a Tuesday Chalice Circle	10:30a - 11:30a Caring Committee Meeting	12:00p - 1:30p, Retired UU Men's Lunch	INDEPENDENCE DAY	
9	7	8	6	10	11	12
10:15a - 11:30p Children's Religious Education Classes 10:30a - 11:30a Sunday Service 12:00a - 1:15p Social Action Committee		10:30a-12:30p "So and Sew" 6:30p-8:00p Women's Spirituality Group		9:45a - 12:00p Thursday Morning Women's Group	10:30a - 12:00p Finance Committee Meeting	9:30a - 1:30p SoulCollage® Session
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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