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## MONTH OF SUNDAYS

Services 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
Forum at 1:00 p.m.

**Daylight Savings begins April 2nd!  
Set your clocks forward one hour!**

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| April 2  | Let It Shine<br><i>Rev. Lyn Cox</i>  |
| April 9  | The Art of Spiritual Care<br><i>Rev. Catherine Linesch</i>   |
| April 16 | Rebirth<br><i>Rev. Lyn Cox</i>   |
| April 23 | Everyone Suddenly Burst Out<br>Singing<br><i>UUSS Choir &amp; Guest Musicians</i><br><br>Public Forum: Haitian Action<br>Committee |
| April 30 | <i>Rev. Doug Strong</i>  |

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

2006 Entertainment Books are ON SALE now in the Beacon Bookstore - \$20.00 each, lots of bargains and discounts! While supplies last...

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The UUSS Business Office Administrator is seeking applicants to fill two part-time (15-20 hours per week) positions in the Business Office. If you have experience as a Bookkeeper or Office Administrative Assistant please, submit your resume **not later than April 10, 2006** to:

David R. McMorris, Business Administrator  
Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento  
Phone (916) 483-9283, ext 202  
Fax (916) 483-4934  
Email: david@uuss.org

## ANNOUNCEMENTS ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

UUSS is an active organization with so many events occurring that it was decided in the past that the only way to keep the Sunday morning service from turning into one long announcement period was to say "No" to everyone! Well...almost everyone. The exceptions are:

- Something of interest to the whole congregation happening on the day of the service;
- Something of special interest to newcomers (lunch, orientation, etc.); or
- Corrections to errors in the blue sheet; last minute changes.

Except in special circumstances, these special announcements will be made by that day's worship leader during the "Welcome and Announcements" period. They should be given to the worship leader *in writing* at least five minutes prior to the beginning of the service. *Permission to add inserts* to the order of service should come from a minister, the Board of Trustees or the Program Council. *Flyers* on the chairs in the auditorium are not acceptable.

Alternatives for other ways of publicizing your event are limited only by your ingenuity.

- Use the Blue Sheet! Articles should be submitted to the office for the blue sheet no later than 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays;
- Set up a table in the foyer on the patio;
- Post flyers on the bulletin boards, the Kiosk and the dry-erase board outside the sanctuary;
- Give out cookies with the date of your event written in icing; or
- Wear a sandwich board or funny hat.

We hope you'll all have a good time dreaming up inventive communications methods. It will help us preserve the tone of the Sunday morning service.

*Eileen Karpeles*  
Chair, Religious Services Committee

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

"Stand By this Faith" was the theme of our 2006 Stewardship Drive. Olympia Brown wrote of having to work and sacrifice for a true principle without counting the cost. There are so many ways we can live up to Rev. Brown's challenge.

Hopefully, you all took a long look at your financial commitment to UUSS. Whether you increased or decreased your pledge, or left it the same, I hope you did so after carefully examining the benefits and importance of this faith, and especially this congregation, to you and your families. During Doug's sabbatical we've had the opportunity to hear the president of our denomination, Rev. Bill Sinkford, and the president of Starr King School for the Ministry, Rev. Rebecca Parker, two of the most sought after speakers on the UU circuit. Our own Assistant Minister, Lyn Cox, has worked conscientiously to meet the needs of individuals, committees, leaders and staff single-handedly. The Board of Trustees has been dealing with personnel and facility issues with integrity and diligence. None of these come without cost.

As we look toward next year's budget, we hope for increased office staff to better serve members' needs and money to repair our aging buildings and fund new programs. The Board is committed to working within our means. The Stewardship Committee had set a goal for an average pledge of \$1500. With two-thirds of pledges in, the average stands at \$1386 as of mid-March, an increase of 10.5 percent over last year and an average increase of \$313 annually per pledge. This is good news. If the outstanding pledges maintain this increase, we will know we're moving forward.

I get excited about giving to UUSS after attending UU conferences or workshops. Rich and I attend General Assembly, the national conference held in June each year, about every three to four years. We connect with old friends, come away with new ideas, and experience diverse worship services. At District Assembly, which will be held in Concord on April 28 to 30, we meet with other leaders and followers of Unitarian Universalism to further our cause and strengthen our faith. This year, Rev. Sinkford and Rev. Parker will be the keynote speakers at District Assembly. Here's your chance to hear them again! I encourage you to reach out and attend a UU event outside UUSS.

Olympia Brown challenged us to work and sacrifice for this faith. Let's do it together.

*Mary Howard*  
*President, Board of Trustees*

## GET ON BOARD

At our February meeting, outgoing Business Administrator Marsha Killian shared the following issues that either need attention or were initiated:

- We need to get an estimate of electrical repairs.
- John Vawter will work on increasing vertical storage in the shed.
- Elaine Cooper will serve as a sexton, provide night security and be on call after hours. Names of board members will be rotated to be on call after hours.
- Evening custodial coverage is still inadequate.
- The UUSS/caterer relationship needs clarification.
- Jack Davidson is working with the County to redo property lines of the duplexes so that they are separated from the volleyball area. The cost of doing so may be as much as \$6,000. No authorization has been given to spend that amount.
- Treasurer Ginny Johnson reported that we have a current deficit of about \$9000 in our budget. The Finance Committee and Business Administrator David McMorris are sorting out some inconsistencies from the past year. Pledge income is about \$27,000 below projections. Since we don't wish to end the year in the red, we'll explore ways to curb spending.
- The Board is interested in adding a youth member next year, providing a different perspective on UUSS issues. This would be an uncontested position. A constitutional amendment is required and the Board hopes to have wording ready for the May congregational meeting.
- The board reviewed and approved limitations for the Business Administrator. Under our new governance policy, the Board sets these limitations that guide the Business Administrator in his actions. You can view these limitations on our website.

## DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Have you ever wondered what UUism is like in other congregations? Rub elbows with 400 UU's from Northern California, Northern Nevada, and Hawaii at the annual Pacific Central District Assembly. Worship and keynote presentations will feature Rev. Bill Sinkford, President of the UUA; Rev. Dr. Rebecca Parker of Starr King School for the Ministry; and Jon Carroll of the San Francisco Chronicle. Workshops include music, dance, justice, and more. District Assembly will be held at the Hilton in Concord, California, April 28 through 30. Basic conference registration is \$90 and should be submitted by April 14. For more information or to register, go to <http://www.pcd-uua.org/events/DA-2006/> or see the flyer posted in front of the church office.

## REVERIE

*To live in this world  
You must be able  
To do three things:*

*To love what is mortal;  
To hold it  
Against your bones knowing  
Your own life depends on it;*

*And, when the time comes to let it go,  
To let it go.*

-- Mary Oliver

You and I have two more months together before it is time to let each other go. I have been holding you in prayer, holding you against my bones knowing that my life depends on it, for almost three years. We knew when I was hired as the Assistant Minister for Education that my contract had an end date, and yet it hardly seems real to plan our goodbyes.

I want you to know that my leaving is infused with a spirit of love and appreciation. The Assistant Minister position was designed for a new minister, just out of seminary and looking to learn more about life at a multi-staff church. That described me three years ago. Now that you have helped me to grow as a minister, it is time to let a new education professional have a turn living among you, speaking the truth in love.

I don't know yet where I will end up next. I'm applying for "institutional ministries," positions at colleges and non-profits that will give me more practice with managing budgets and staff and with articulating our Unitarian Universalist faith in the public sphere. As soon as I have concrete news, I will share it with you.

This change will be difficult for us, but I have confidence that we will make the most out of our "growth experience." Saying goodbye over the next several weeks will give us more appreciation for each present moment. I am grateful for our shared practice of letting go.

*LynCox  
Assistant Minister for Education*

## FINDING LYN

Rev. Lyn is in the office most Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Please e-mail [lyn@uuss.org](mailto:lyn@uuss.org) or call extension 203 for an appointment.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

April 2

9:00 Kids' Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 RE Classes: Friends Can Be Different  
1:00 5th/6th Grade OWL

April 4

7:00 RE Committee Meeting

April 16

9:00 & 11:00 Intergenerational Worship: Easter  
(Kids' Choir sings)  
12:45 Egg Hunt for Kids

April 22

Religious Education Futures Dinner. Those interested in RE involvement at the leadership level next year should contact the RE Committee for more information about this event.

April 23

9:00 & 11:00 Kids' Choir sings in worship  
11:00 RE Classes: From Enemies to Friends

April 30

11:00 RE Classes: Mother's Day Service Project

## UU OF THE MONTH: A MYST-RE!

Every month in the newsletter, you will find clues about a famous Unitarian Universalist. Read these clues and try to guess this month's Mystery UU:

- He was born in 1921 in Lincoln Ridge, Kentucky.
- His father was the president and his mother was a faculty member at the Lincoln Institute, an African-American boarding school.
- He worked as a social worker and a professor of social work in Minnesota, Nebraska, and Georgia.
- His was a member of the Atlanta Unitarian Church and the Community Unitarian Church of White Plains.
- In 1961 he became president of the Urban League, an African-American community-based movement.
- He authored the books *To Be Equal* and *Beyond Racism: Building an Open Society*.
- In 1971, he died of a heart attack in Lagos, Nigeria, while attending a conference for black leaders.

Those are the clues. The answer will be revealed during a worship service in April. Dorothea Dix was the UU of the Month for March. She was a teacher and an advocate for people with mental illness in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Congratulations to all the correct guessers!

## YOU CAN'T SPELL SUMMER WITHOUT RE!

In the RE office our thoughts have turned to the sunny days of summer. We have a lot of fun and learning in store, including:

- Chalice Camp returns to UUSS! This fantastic, all-day program full of art, games, drama, and worship deepens children's identity as Unitarian Universalists and expands their knowledge of Unitarian Universalism and their capacity to be articulate about their faith. Open to kids entering grades 1 through 6. High school youth are sought for paid counselor positions. Contact Liz Leavy to apply.
- In RE classes we'll span the globe and the ages exploring creation myths from many sources in a one-room schoolhouse setting. Though designed for kids entering grades 1 through 6, anyone ages four and up may attend, although younger kids may prefer our summer series of stories and crafts in Room 11.
- Kids entering grades 7 through 9 will have the option of becoming teaching assistants by participating in a program of leadership training and service.

Visit the RE Kiosk on Sundays for more information, or contact Liz Leavy, RE Coordinator, at 483-9283, ext. 207, or [liz@uuss.org](mailto:liz@uuss.org).

## ALL-CHURCH CAMPOUT JUNE 9-11

Join us at the beautiful 3500 ft. high, 40-acre Camp Norge in Alta, California, located only one hour from Sacramento for our annual all-church campout. Their website is: [www.campnorge.com](http://www.campnorge.com).

The camp offers three dorms, lots of tent and R.V. spaces, three sets of bathrooms w/showers; fenced swimming pool, social hall w/separate kitchen w/ commercial stove, refrigerators and freezer, utensils and dishes. Tents - \$18, RV's - \$22, and \$18 per person in dorms. All prices are per night.

You provide your own sleeping bag or bedroll, towel and soap. There is a huge barbeque, four horseshoe pits, and a large meadow available for baseball, volleyball and other group games. Also, there is a swing set and slide for the little ones. Picnic tables are scattered throughout the lawn areas, and there is a fire pit for evening campfires.

A potluck dinner will be held Saturday night, and the committee will provide Sunday morning breakfast.

We have reserved the entire facility for our UUSS family. Register before or after church on Sundays in May. Look for our display and pick up a brochure for further information.

## UUSSER OF THE MONTH



His insights are intelligent and reasoned and his approach is straightforward. This UUSSer, in his unassuming way, has had an impact on how the church does business. During the years 1999 to 2002, both as a UUSS Board of Trustees appointee to the Endowment Trust and as an elected member of the Trust, John Abbott and the other trustees got our Trust organized and efficient. Many members may not even know about the Endowment Trust, the financial entity established in 1980 to receive and invest contributed and beneficiary money; a certain percentage is available each year to help fund non-recurring church expenses. John and the other trustees have ensured that the fund is invested in a balanced and appropriately allocated way and have established operating procedures. Now John serves as an appointed member on the UUSS Board of Trustees. He was previously elected to the Board and served 1997 to 2000.

John also has offered adult education classes at the church in mutual fund investing and (together with Eric Ross) Unitarian history. He retired as an attorney with the State Board of Equalization in 2004. While he was still working, John obtained a Master's degree in history from Sacramento State, where he is presently a member of the alumni board of directors. John's wife, Lori Abbott Moreland, is an administrative law judge for the state. He has three grown children who live in Southern California and Nevada. Look for John's auction items when the auction comes around. He usually offers consultations in mutual fund investing and computer program assistance.

When he's not volunteering at the church, John likes to play tennis and golf. He is involved in politics a bit too, volunteer lobbying for Common Cause and working on Phil Angelides' campaign for governor.

UUSS is important to John for social connections. "Many of my closest friends are current or former church members," he says. Also, the ministers and members have helped him develop his own spiritual outlook. What he most wants to see happen at the church is for more members to volunteer a little of their time to a church committee of their choice, which would ease the burden on the office staff and the most active volunteers. In addition, he would like members to consider listing the church as a partial beneficiary of their retirement accounts. Thank you, John, for sharing your expertise and energy with our congregation!

## UUSS CONCERT SERIES

Come hear the artistry of Alex Ives and Cathy Canan play music, and authentic instruments from the Medieval and Baroque periods at the UUSS Concert series on April 9. Michael Reynolds and Kathryn Fagiolo will be singing on several of the pieces. Tickets will be \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for seniors and students. Watch for details on our final concert of the series on June 4.

## THEATRE ONE

Theater One will present "The Madwoman of Chaillot" by Jean Giraudoux, adapted by Maurice Valency, on April 21-22 and April 28-29 at 8 p.m. and at 3 p.m. on April 23. Ticket prices are \$10 general admission and \$8 for students and seniors (student and senior tickets are \$4 on the 23<sup>rd</sup>). Dinner will be served *by prior reservation only* on Friday, April 21, and Saturday, April 29, for an additional \$10.

"The Madwoman of Chaillot" has been described as a fanciful comedy, a satire of 20<sup>th</sup> century materialism, a celebration of the ability of the pure in heart to make a difference in the world, and a message of hope and optimism for the future. Many of the cast are well known to the UUSS community, including Shirley Hewitt, Lisa Karkoski, Judy Morrison, Karen Norberg, Ron Clyma, Antonio Torres, Dave Paul, Cory Fulton, Steve Hoverman, Hank Coffin, Lars Spivock, Len Campos, Brady Torres, David McCann, the Davidsons, the Lusts, Gina Gangursky and Don Taranto.

Order tickets now at (916) 489-4248 or [tickets@theaterone.org](mailto:tickets@theaterone.org). Tickets will also be available at church on Sundays and at the door. More information is at <http://www.theaterone.org>.

## POEMSPIRITS

Nevada City Poet Molly Fisk speaks at the next PoemSpirits, Sunday, April 2 at 6 p.m. in Room 11. A widely-published radio host and essayist on Grass Valley's KVMR, Molly has received grants from the California Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts and others. She teaches Writing to Heal classes, poetry critique workshops, and an Internet Poetry Boot Camp.

Co-host Nora Staklis will make a brief presentation on Anne Sexton, a key figure in development of modern confessional poetry. Bring a favorite a poem or two to read. There is no admission and snacks are available.

On May 7, the PoemSpirits feature current Sacramento Poet Laureate, Julia Connor. For information contact Tom Goff or Nora Staklis, 916-481-3312; JoAnn Anglin, 916-451-1372.

## UUSS ART

The Art Exhibit Committee would like feedback on the current art show and on the idea of hanging art in the auditorium. Some may remember the frequent art exhibits in the auditorium. We would like the artwork change to be a rewarding one for as many people as possible. Comments are greatly appreciated, either in our guest book, e-mail our chair, Anna Andrews, [anna\\_mae@pacbell.net](mailto:anna_mae@pacbell.net) or phone at 448-9373.

## SERVETUS

Servetus Club, a social group for mature singles and couples, will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 2, in the Fahs Room. Fees are \$2 for members, \$3 for guests (except the first visit which is free) to reimburse the church for utilities, etc. Please bring a snack, hot dish, salad or dessert for potluck. For more information, call Joyce Chadd-Winans at 916-725-4323.

## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE

The Social Responsibility Committee will host Lindi Ramsden, California Director of Legislation on Sunday, April 9, at 1:00 in the Fahs Room. We will be discussing the help we can give the legislative committee in its work and the help Lindi might be able to provide in developing a series of workshops similar to the programs presented about three years ago on globalization. Those workshops were so well received that we would like to do the same kinds of workshops with UUSS and the local community.

We hope to have programs of common interest to the entire congregation that will unify the many disparate parts of the congregation including the Public Forum, Religious Services, youth education. Outreach to the congregation as a whole is what Unitarian Universalism is about. Please come help with ideas for possible subjects, and a willingness to help organize the workshops would be very welcome.

## GREEN BURIAL

There's a growing movement to return bodies to the earth in an environmentally sensitive way ... and to create nature preserves at the same time. On April 9, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. (location to be announced), Rev. Catherine Linesch will share an overview of Green Burial, and touch upon a few other innovative ways to rest in peace.

## INTERWEAVE ACTIVITIES PLANNED

The UUSS Interweave chapter will hold a working meeting on April 2nd at 12:45 p.m. to plan several upcoming events:

- Bringing Boyce Hinman to UUSS in May to give an update on state legislation. Hinman is the legislative advocate for the Lambda Letters Project, a statewide organization which lobbies in five areas, including LGBT issues;
- Organizing a Stonewall Haggadah to be held at UUSS on June 2, commemorating the Stonewall uprising that marked the beginning of the modern gay pride movement;
- Sponsoring a UU table at the Sacramento Pride Fair on June 11;
- Planning a well-earned Interweave retreat at Bob and Fran Oyafuso's cabin June 16 to 18.

Volunteers are needed for each of these activities. Interweave members and straight allies are urged to attend this meeting. For information, contact Tracy Kindler at 726-3640.

## ALLIANCE STEERING COMMITTEE

It's time to plan next year! The Alliance meeting on Thursday, April 13, will begin with a social hour at 10:00 a.m. and the business meeting at 11:00 a.m. Nominations are being accepted for new Steering Committee members to arrange programs, coordinate hospitality and handle communications (Unigram announcements, room reservations and phoning). This year's Steering Committee, Fran Oyafuso, Joan Rubenson and Kate Throop, will be stepping down after the May meeting. After the business meeting we'll enjoy a salad and dessert potluck. Bring your favorite dish, and copies of the recipe to exchange. Call Fran (353-0376) or Kate (729-6981) for information.

## WOMEN'S RITUAL GROUP

On Easter Sunday, April 16, we are providing some activities for the children. If you wish to participate, please call Laurie Jones at (916) 743-0469. At the suggestion of Lyn Cox, the activities will include a book to be used during the service; stuffing plastic eggs with Cheerios, raisins, and info on the pagan origins of Easter for the egg hunt; a crafts table after service to decorate paper egg shapes.

## LABYRINTH TRAINING TEAM

The labyrinth training team will meet Sunday, April 23, 1:00 p.m., at UUSS to discuss research, fundraising, and development of training materials.

## SUCCESSFUL CLEAN-UP

The Great February Clean-up was a whopping success! We filled an entire 16 x 6 foot dumpster with all manner of unnecessary stuff cluttering our spiritual nest for many years. Because the dumpster was filled to capacity, we didn't get rid of everything that needs to go but will continue the effort. The areas behind the stage, the Fahs Room and the warehouse are all clean and organized. John Vawter will lead in creating more shelving space. Thanks so much to Judy Jauch for coordinating the effort and to the hardworking crew: Joyce Chadd, Jack Davidson, Dennis Edgren, Shirley Hines, Molly Jackson, Allegra Kim, Dave Lust, Nancy Lust, John McMillan, Sandra Mercer, Nancy Oprsal, Bobbie Stewart, Clair Urness, Tiffany Urness, John Vawter, Jeff Voeller, and Cathy Whitney. Also, thanks to the staff who pitched in - Elaine Cooper, Marsha Kilian, Armand Molina, Dave McMorris, and Kate Throop. Finally, thanks to Mollie Jackson and Carol Jacobs in the Beacon Book Store who worked for weeks in advance to cull and organize the book inventory. Stay tuned - we hope to have more events to "Care for our Spiritual Nest".

## GREEN THUMB PLANT SALE

Calling all gardeners and shoppers! Bring your seedlings, starts and extra plants to the UUSS annual plant sale, Sunday, April 30. Plants will be sold between services and at 12:15 p.m. Please deliver your plants to the triangular bed by the patio beginning Wednesday, April 26. We are also in need of 1/2 gallon (or larger) plastic pots.

## MID-SIZE CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

"Meeting People Where They Are and Moving On" was the theme of the sixth Mid-Size Congregational meeting in Phoenix March 2 through 5. UUSS Board of Trustees member David Paul attended along with roughly 300 UUs representing congregations throughout the country. UUA President Rev. William Sinkford opened the conference, followed by keynote speaker Dr. Sarah Bridges, a licensed psychologist who discussed handling transitions and changes which are inescapable not only in our congregations but throughout our lives. The phases of transitions begin with first letting go; secondly, the neutral zone occurs when the old way is gone but the new isn't working yet; and the third phase is a new beginning as people accept and see the change with a sense of purpose. Smaller group sessions included topics such as church staffing, transitions in governance, church growth and marketing, community action and getting youth involved. The Mid-Size Congregational Conference is held every three years.

# April 2006

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
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|   |   |   |   |   |  | 9 am Theater One<br>10 am - 3 pm<br>New Member<br>Orientation  |
| <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b>   | <b>8</b>   |
| DAYLIGHT SAVINGS<br>8:45 am Childcare<br>9:00 a Fahs- Kid's Choir<br>9 & 11 a Services<br>12:30 p Congregational<br>Conversation<br>12:30 Committee Chairs<br>12:45 - Interweave<br>1:00 Science Made<br>Lucid<br>1:00 Discussion Forum<br>1:00 OWL - 5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade<br>3:00 Servetus<br>6:00 Poemspirits | 6 pm Divorce Support<br>(childcare provided)      | 12:30 - 2:00 pm<br>Staff meeting<br>(office closed)<br><br>7:00 Write to Life   | 10 am<br>Daydreamers<br><br>7 pm<br>Ministry Circle<br><br>7 pm Choir<br><br>7 pm Religious Ed<br>Committee | 10 am Adult<br>Enrichment<br>Rev. Lyn   |  | Sheriff's Crew<br>Work Day   |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>13</b>   | <b>14</b>  | <b>15</b>  |
| 8:45 am Childcare<br>9:00 am Kid's Choir<br>9:00 & 11 am<br>Service<br>1:00 pm Social<br>Responsibility Ctte.<br>7:00 pm -Campus<br>Ministry  |   | 10 am Ministry<br>Circle<br>12:30 - 2:00 pm<br>Staff meeting<br>(office closed)<br>6:30 Theater One<br>7:00 pm Men's<br>Group                 | 10 am<br>Daydreamers<br>10 am Ministry<br>Circle<br>1:30 Program<br>Council<br>Steering Ctte.<br>7 pm Choir | 10:00 am Alliance<br><br>6:30 Theater One<br><br>7 pm Finance<br>Ctte.        |  | 6:30 Theater One   |
| <b>16</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>21</b>  | <b>22</b>  |
| 8:45 am Childcare<br>9:00 am Service<br>11:00 am Service<br>12:45 Egg Hunt &<br>activities for kids<br>See April 23 for<br>Public Forum   | 5 pm Theater One<br>6 pm Divorce<br>Support Group | 12:30 - 2:00 pm<br>Staff meeting<br>(office closed)<br><br>5:30 pm Executive<br>Committee<br><br>6:30 Theater One<br>7:00 pm Write to<br>Life | 10 am<br>Daydreamers<br>1:30 Program<br>Council<br>5 pm Theater One<br>7 pm Choir<br>7 pm Ministry Circle   | 10 am UNIGRAM<br>Mailing Party<br><br>5 pm Theater One<br><br>7 pm Book Group | Theater One<br>presents "The<br>Madwoman of<br>Chaillot"<br>6:00 dinner (by<br>prior reservation<br>only)<br>8:00 performance          | 8:00 p.m.<br>"The Madwoman<br>of Chaillot"   |
| <b>23</b>   | <b>24</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>26</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b>  | <b>29</b>  |
| 8:45 am Childcare<br>9:00 & 11 am Services<br>1:00 pm Forum<br>1:00 Labyrinth<br>Training Team<br>3:00 Theater One<br>Matinee performance<br>7:00 pm UU Campus<br>Group   |   | 10 am Ministry<br>Circle<br><br>12:30 - 2:00 pm<br>Staff meeting<br>(office closed)<br><br>7:00 pm<br>Men's Group                             | 10 am<br>Daydreamers<br><br>10 am Ministry<br>Circle<br><br>7 pm Choir                                      | 6:30 pm UUSS<br>Board Meeting   | Pacific Central<br>District<br>Assembly at the<br>Concord Hilton,<br>Walnut Creek<br><br>8:00 p.m.<br>"The<br>Madwoman of<br>Chaillot" | 10 am Forum<br>Committee<br><br>"The Madwoman<br>of Chaillot"<br>6:00 dinner (by<br>prior reservation<br>only)<br>8:00 performance |
| <b>30</b>   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| 8:45 am Childcare<br>9:00 & 11 am Service<br>10am -2 pm PLANT<br>SALE on Patio<br>1 pm Discussion Forum<br>7:00 pm UU Campus<br>Group   |   |   |   |   |  |  |



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April 2      Let It Shine  
**Rev. Lyn Cox**

“Unitarian Universalism ... What’s that?” Do you live in fear of this question? Unitarian Universalism is a non-creedal religion, which makes it more difficult to explain in a sound bite. Together, we can find the courage to live our faith out loud and proud.

April 9      The Art of Spiritual Care  
**Rev. Catherine Linesch**

At the UCLA Medical Center, spiritual care is bearing witness to something important that is unfolding in times of change. Spiritual and emotional support can be a resource for healing. The Rev. Catherine Linesch has served as minister in UU congregations in Reno, Napa, Marin and San Francisco; and with hospice in Reno. This year she is a Chaplain in Residence at UCLA Medical Center. Rev. Linesch is endorsed by our congregation as a Unitarian Universalist Community Minister.

April 16      Rebirth  
**Rev. Lyn Cox**

Cultures, trees, and people all seem to go through cycles of ebb and flow. Nature teaches us about a season of rebirth. The teachings of Jesus help us

to practice resurrection in our own lives. This intergenerational service will invite our community into a time of renewal.

April 23      Everyone Suddenly Burst Out Singing  
**Mike Reynolds, Choir Director**

The UUSS Choir, pianist Linda Dawson and other guest musicians will be performing.

April 23      Public Forum  
**Haitian Action Committee**

A speaker from the Haiti Action Committee in San Francisco will discuss the current situation in that country at 1 p.m.

April 30      **Rev. Doug Strong**

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