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Pacific Unitarian Church
A Unitarian Universalist Community
Committed to the Free and Responsible Search for Truth, Meaning and Service

The View



April 24, 2014

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi {FIRST_NAME|PUCer},
... -*THE VIEW* from PUC isn't putting all our eggs in one basket. We're filling our eggs with cash and spreading it around to our [3 social service partners in the Harbor area](#) -- Stop by the R.E. table before this Sunday's Service for an eggfilling experience! All the rest of the PUC news is all here too in *THE VIEW* -- REEEEEAAADD AAAALLL AAAABBOOUUUT IT.

Calling All Pledges!

Our Pledge Drive Canvass is Wrapping Up
Help us make this year a record-setting success by pledging today!

[Pledge on the PUC website](#) or bring/send in your card from the back of the Pledge Brochure to the box located at the back of the Hall or to the PUC Office.

THANK YOU to the 105 individuals & families who've already turned in 147 Pledge Cards totalling: \$195,925!

Our Service Auction was a GREAT success! A BIG PUC THANKS to our Auction Team, to all who donated, and to all who BID & BOUGHT!!

Remember to bring your Wallet / Checkbook / Credit Card to Church on Sunday to see what's still available; **pay for and pick up your Auction prizes;** and stop having to "Guess who's coming to dinner/lunch/brunch?"

April's Monthly Theme: SALVATION

This Sunday

April 27

10:30 AM Service

Saved From What?

Rev. John Morehouse

Does salvation imply a malevolent force in our lives? *Rev. John* explores the theological foundations of salvation. Our Split Plate collection will support The Chalice Oak Foundation.

The Week At a Glance

Thursday, April 24, 2014

6:30 PM PUC Choir Practice – H

Friday, April 25, 2014

3 PM PSWD District Assembly - O

[1st UU Church San Diego]

6:30 PM Last Friday Ballroom

Dancing – H

Saturday, April 26, 2014

9 AM Strategic Planning - O

10 AM French Conversation Grp –

V [2nd & 4th Saturdays]

5:30 PM PUC FUUn & Games

From the Music Department:



—Severin

Dr. Severin Behnen, Music Director

Music@pacificunitarian.org

Religious Education Matters

**Family Religious Education Ministry
APRIL CALENDAR**

4/27: "Regular" Religious Education Class Day

—Rev. Tamara

AssocMinister@pacificunitarian.org

Due to the success of having the **children go directly to the front carpet before Service** on Easter Sunday, we will continue to do this each week. This also provides more seating for visitors. All seats in the front row will be reserved for parents.



Please [CLICK HERE](#) to request to be added to the R.E. Family Facebook Group.

Last Friday Ballroom Dance @ PUC THIS Friday!

Ronald and Mary Keyes, In cooperation with Pacific Unitarian Church invite you to enjoy a night of Ballroom Dancing on the Last Friday of each month.

THIS Friday, April 25th, 6:30–10 PM

\$10 donation to PUC gets you dancin' to the rhythm!!

Refreshments, Line Dances, Mixers, Door Prizes, "DJ Spin Girl" plays Swing, Waltz, Rumba, WCS, Tango, Salsa, Cha Cha -- everything! Everyone Is Welcome!

For more info contact Ronald Keyes: (310) 742-6022
KeyesRon55@gmail.com

Upcoming 2014 Dates for The Last Friday of the Month:

May 30 " June 27 " July 25 " August 29 " September 26 " October 31 " November 28 " December 26



NEW Minister's Class: PHILOSOPHIES OF THE MIND

4 WEDNESDAYS | **MAY 7, 14, 21, 28** 11:30-12:30 | CLASSROOM 1

What is the mind? What is consciousness? How does the body

Night - CR1&2

Sunday, April 27, 2014

- 10 AM Childcare - CR3
- 10:30 AM Sunday Services-H
- 11:45 AM PUC YoUUth Choir Rehearsal - H
- 12 PM PUC Town Hall Mtg - H
- 12 PM Lunch @ PV Country Club (Gleghorn) - O [TS]
- 12:15 PM Intern Minister Committee - V
- 3 PM Forum: Education 101: Common Core Standards – H

Monday, April 28, 2014

- 11 AM Facilities Rental Task Force - L
- 5 PM [Kundalini Yoga & Meditation Class](#) – H

Tuesday, April 29, 2014

- 10 AM [PUC Buddhist Meditation Group](#) - V
- 2:15 PM Staff Meeting – L

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

- 11 AM [Beginning Yoga](#) w/ Debi
- 3 PM [Blue Sky Mindfulness Training For Kids and Teens](#) - CR1
- 7 PM [Journey to Membership](#) C - CR1

Thursday, May 1, 2014

- 10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H
- 6:30 PM PUC Choir Practice – H

Sunday's Flowers "are in memory of **Lou** and in honor of our son **Paul**."

—Olga Slavich

All May Sundays are available!



PASTORAL CARE NEWS:

play a part? This and other topics will be explored in this introductory course on mind studies led by Rev. John Morehouse.

FEES : Early Bird: 4 classes: \$25; Regular: 4 classes: \$30; Walk In: \$8 per session

(EARLY BIRD - register 2 weeks prior to series start date)

REGISTER ONLINE AT createmeaning.org under South Bay / L.A

Blue Sky Mindfulness Training for Kids & Teens

3 - 4 PM WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING APRIL 30 in CLASSROOM 1

Free introductory class offered on **Wednesday, April 30.**

Subsequent sessions: \$15 per session.

Mindfulness is a powerful way to address states of confusion, strain or turmoil. [CLICK HERE FOR MORE...](#)

Blue Sky Mindfulness Training for Adults

9 - 10 AM SATURDAYS, BEGINNING MAY 10 in CLASSROOM 1

Free introductory class offered on **Saturday, May 10.**

Subsequent sessions: \$15 per session.

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Living UU Values Small Group Starts in May


If you were on trial for being a Unitarian Universalist, would there be enough evidence to convict you? How are you living UU values and how can we encourage each other to "walk the talk" of our UU principles? How do we put our UU beliefs into action in our daily lives? What are our responsibilities and obligations as UU's?

These are questions we will be pondering for four sessions, 5 - 6:30 PM, Wednesdays, **May 7, 14, 21, & 28** in the Voyagers Room at PUC. This new small covenant group will be facilitated by **Vivien Hao** prvivien@gmail.com. Since this is an effort to build deep connections, you will be asked to commit to the four sessions and have the option of continuing or quitting after that. Everyone is welcome-- PUC members and UUs-in-waiting. There will be snacks!

Facilities Report:

Our campus continues to improve weekly. Our new walkway along the new parking lot is 75% completed and should be complete next week. Thanks to Gary Hart and Frances Morehouse, Clerks of the Works for overseeing this project. New plantings have been put in thanks to Vivien Hao and Frances Morehouse along the walkway. Our new sign is in progress. Permits have been procured and stage one is complete.

—**Your Facilities Team & Mike Mariani**, PUC Facilities Manager

 **Lenore Snodey** continues to deal with the effects of Leukemia.

Judy Shaffer continues her recovery from surgery for a detached retina she had whilst in Maryland visiting daughter Kim & family. She's doing well, but may not be able to travel home until the end of May at the earliest!

Feel free to send emails, or cards: (The previous address # given was incorrect):

c/o Clarkson

10011 Raynor Rd.

Silver Spring, MD 20901

Shirley Mokren has moved to the skilled nursing facility at *The Canterbury* after suffering a head injury from a fall.

If you are in need of Pastoral Care, please contact **Reverend John**. pastoralcare@pacificunitarian.org or the [PUC Office](#).



May's Monthly Theme: TRUTH

5/4: Will the Truth Really Set Us Free?

Rev. John Morehouse

As we begin our monthly spiritual theme of Truth, *Rev. John* asks a very old question.

5/11: Freeing the Goddess Within

Rev. John Morehouse

In honor of Mothers everywhere, *Rev. John* will explore the power of the Feminine in all of us.

5/18: Does God Exist?

Rev. John Morehouse

Rev. John offers answers to this important question.

Parade Your Pride w/ PUC May 18

Are you proud to be a part of a [Welcoming Congregation](#)? The Long Beach Pride parade is coming up on **Sunday, May 18** and, once again, we will have a marching unit to show that PUC [Stands on the Side of Love](#). This is one of our best ways to reach out to the LGBTQ community and the more people who walk, the better. Last year was the first time we participated in the parade and it was fun for all! Please join us -- contact Brad Shreve: bdshreve@outlook.com 310.344.8450.

Retreat to the Mountains w/ PUC June 6-8

PUC's annual Camp de Benneville Pines Retreat is Friday-Sunday, **June 6 - June 8, 2014**. [Camp de Benneville Pines](#) is located in the Barton Flats area of the beautiful San Bernardino Mountains, about 90 miles east of Los Angeles. The theme for this year's retreat is...SERVICE! Service: to ourselves, our church, each other, and our community. This weekend is an incredible wonderful loving UU experience! *Camp sign-ups will conclude on June 1, 2014.*

Activities include...[CLICK HERE](#) for the full scoop!
If you are interested in attending, or want more information, you can stop by the sign-up table on the Patio after Church. Rooms will be filling up fast so the sooner you sign up the better.

Feel free to contact **Andy Kissner** directly at andykpuc@gmail.com or by phone or text at 213-595-2093 if you have questions, or would like to volunteer to host an activity and/or help with planning.

—**Andy Kissner**,
PUC Retreat Dean

You Can Earn FREE \$\$\$ For PUC Just By Shopping At Ralps!!

September 1 was Ralps annual (re-)enrollment date for their [Community Contribution Program](#). Using your Ralps Rewards Card and linking to PUC will ensure PUC receives anywhere from 1%-3% of your monthly purchases (depending on the amount you spend). PUC receives a quarterly check from Ralps based on our supporters' purchases.

[CLICK HERE For Online Registration Instructions.](#)

[CLICK HERE to download & print the Ralps Scanbar Letter yourself.](#)

If you'd rather register without going online, Craig has Ralps Scanbar Letters in the PUC Office which can be used for enrolling or renewing. Just take the Scanbar Letter and your Ralps Reward Card (or just use your phone #) and give to the cashier when you

5/25: Memory and Hope Rev. John Morehouse

What power is there in memory? *Rev. John* explores the connection between what we remember and what hope those memories offer us. Our Memorial Wall dedication will follow as we remember all those who have passed from our midst in the last year.



4th Sunday Hospitality Special Thanks to All of YoUU who help!

TOP CHEF **Vivien Hao** wishes to thank all Sous Chefs for popping in on Easter Sunday to create our weekly Lunch for All.

Our Sous Chefs were: **Linda Jensen, Denise Shiozawa, Jeanne Wilson, Susan Warhol, Mark Knudson, Chelsea Sites, and Marvel Burke**. Pop in to be a part of the Dream Team gathering every Sunday from 9 - 10:30 AM.

This Sunday: Top Chef **Naresh Deo!!** It's vegan, vegetarian, spicy, & delish!



Ushers:

Scott Garrabrant & Joanna Hannff

Welcome Table:

2 OPEN POSITIONS

Contact [Lora Childers](#) if you'd like to give it a try...

Greeters:

Jean McDaniel & Shuja Oberoi



Recurring Events

Sundays

YRUU High School Group. 10:30 AM, L
Half a Century Marrieds Group, 5th

check out with your purchases. This will sync your card to PUC for the Community Contribution Program.

If you have any questions, contact [Pam Harris](#) or [Craig Block](#).

IT'S EASY TO BE GREEN @ PUC: RECYCLE HERE!!

Don't forget to bring your **used-up ink & toner cartridges** for recycling (and cash for PUC); your **used batteries, light bulbs, and small electronic devices** for safe disposal and recycling; and **old eyeglasses** for re-use in Latin America; to PUC's recycling center – located just outside the kitchen door. Please bring your **expired prescription & non-prescription meds** to the PUC Office for safe disposal.

—**Craig Block**



A UU Said That?

"All men recognize the right of revolution; that is, the right to refuse allegiance to, and to resist, the government, when its tyranny or its inefficiency are great and unendurable."

—**Henry David Thoreau**, (Transcendentalist, Unitarian, surveyor, pencil-maker, philosopher, naturalist) from "Civil Disobedience"

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Office Hrs: Sunday: 9 AM - 3 PM, Mon. - Thurs: 11 PM - 5 PM

[Click here for Directions](#)

Sun, 12 PM, Fu Yuan Low
Restaurant - Next: **Sun, June 29**

Books in Our Lives Covenant
Group, 1st & 3rd Sun, 7 PM, L

Mondays

Women's Reading & Responding
Grp, 3rd Mon., 11 AM, L

[Kundalini Yoga w/ Aimee](#), Mon,
5 PM, H

Environmental Covenant Group,
1st Mon, 7:15 PM, L

Tuesdays

Buddhist Meditation Grp, weekly,
10 AM, V

Wednesdays

[Beginning Yoga](#) w/ Debi
Robinson, Wed, 11 AM

Thursdays

Tai Chi (Beck), Thurs, 10 AM, H
Seniors Pow Wow to Share How,
3rd Thurs, 11 AM, L

PUC Choir Practice: Thurs., 6:30
PM, H

Environmental Priorities Network,
2nd Thurs., 7:30 PM, L

Saturdays

French Conversation Grp, 2nd &
4th Sat, 10 AM, V



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