



The eView from PUC

PACIFIC UNITARIAN CHURCH, A Unitarian Universalist Community
Committed to the Free and Responsible Search for Truth, Meaning, and Service

Deadline: Wednesday, Noon

Thursday, January 13, 2010

PUC's Black & White Concert February 12



Plan to attend our special **Black & White Concert - Saturday, February 12th at 7:30 pm**

Our Music Director, Severin Behnen has lined up our favorite musicians to play beautiful classical music on our Yamaha Concert Grand Piano and violin, and we'll have a couple of special guest singers too! And the inimitable Dee Masters will once again serve as (Dee) Master(s) of Ceremonies. Members of the PUC Choir will be selling tickets on the Patio before and after Services starting this Sunday. Prices are the same as last year if you purchase them before the night of the show:

Please join us for this special night!

\$15 Adult; \$ 7 Child; \$35 Family (Tickets will be \$5 more at the door on February 12th – Don't wait!!)

Saturday Evening March 19



ANNIVERSARY PARTY & PUC AUCTION

• Come celebrate with food, fun, and music...while bidding on your favorite Silent Auction items!

• Many volunteers are needed at various times...WE WANT YOU!

• Contact Barbara Paulsen, [Pam Harris](#) or the [PUC Office](#) if you can help.

SUNDAY: SUNDAY SERVICE @ 10:30 AM SPIRITUALITY FORUM @ 9:30 AM

This Week - Sunday, January 16: *The Hero in Us All* – Rev. John Morehouse. On this Sunday preceding Martin Luther King, Jr.'s holiday, Rev. John considers how we are each called to change the world in some small way. Seen through the lens of a hero's journey, John will consider how to read the signs of hope.

☒ *"Photomeditations: Mindful Vision"* by Thom Kilpatrick edify PUC's Art Wall through Thursday, January 27.

☒ *Contact Ginnie Granoff if you'd like to share YOUR artwork with us on the Art Wall!*

☼ *Jennifer Hocutt & Carolyn Paddock bring Sunday's flowers "In loving memory of our mother and grandmother, Celia Fairbanks Paddock."*

☼ *Would YOU like to bring the flowers for Sunday's Services? - The 2011 Flower Calendar has arrived!!! - Reserve your Sunday(s) NOW!!! Almost ALL of 2011 are yours for the asking!! Visit the Flower Calendar on the inside of the PUC Office door - or contact the PUC Office to reserve your date!*

Next Week – Sunday, January 23: *Re-Membering* – Angela Henderson, Intern Minister. Intern minister, Angela Henderson, shares why she joined Unitarian Universalism and why it is important to remember our own reasons for coming together as one community.

MORE THIS SUNDAY @ PUC:

9:30 AM Spirituality Forum - L

9:40 AM Choir Warmup - H

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:45 AM Kids' Choir Rehearsal - CR1

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AROUND PUC:



NEXT ORIENTATION CLASS JANUARY 16TH

New to PUC? Want to know more about Unitarian Universalism? How does PUC "work"? Considering joining our faith community as a member?

Answers to all this and more at the next Introduction to UU & PUC. Please come, **January 16th** after the Service from 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Library. It's a great time to ask your questions. Child care is available – just let us know. Questions? Email membership@pacificunitarian.org or call the PUC Office.



Don't Forget! Saturday, January 29!!

You're Invited to PUC's Happy UN-Birthday Party

6:30 to 8:30 in the Hall



*Passionate about how our gathering spaces look? Enjoy applying a fresh coat of paint? Willing to apply a little elbow grease? **The Facilities Committee wants you!***

We are building a network of people that might be able to help from time to time with planned or short-notice projects. You don't need to be a professional carpenter to make a contribution – if you're breathing, you can help. Talents that we're looking for include but are not limited to painting, light carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and the ability

to do basic handyman tasks. We are also looking for folks with schedule flexibility that would allow them to meet and escort a professional contractor at the Church. Finally, if you would be willing to participate in a work party (and I do mean party!) doing odd jobs – that would be appreciated as well. Regardless of your proficiency, if you would like to help, please email or call John Einhorn: einchild1@verizon.net or 310-937-3134 - with your name and how you would be able to contribute. We will be organizing a Spring Work Party sometime in the next few months – it'll be fun as well as rewarding. Thanks!

PayPal PUC's Online Donation Page Moves to PayPal!

In order to reduce our overhead costs, **PUC is switching over from using Groundspring to PayPal for all of our online donation services beginning in December.** In addition to deducting a 2% fee instead of 3% processing fee from your contribution, PayPal does not charge a monthly account fee, which should result in a savings for PUC of over \$500/year. Please go to: http://pacificunitarian.org/support_puc.html to set up your one-time, weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually recurring pledge payment(s), West Wall pledge payments or any other donations to PUC you'd like to make.

for the PUC singles-family "Bunch for Lunch"



Birds Do It, Bees Do It, Even Ministers Like Rev. John Do It....

Come Read It, Come Read His Blog: <http://facing-grace.blogspot.com>

UP & COMING:

FOR NEW MEMBERS, VISITORS AND PUC BUDDIES:

COME TO OUR NEXT BUDDY MIXER ON SAT. JANUARY 22

Buddy Mixers are a great way to get to know more folks at PUC – and maybe even a PUC Buddy! These mixers are held bi-monthly by the Membership Committee to help folks make connections.

This one is a potluck dinner at the beautiful RPV home of Sandy McNeil on **Saturday, January 22nd**. Let's hope it's warm enough to take advantage of her lovely backyard garden. Please RSVP to membership@pacificunitarian.org with dish you are bringing to share.

PUC MEMBERS: Are you interested in becoming a PUC Buddy? Learn more at our [website](http://pacificunitarian.org) or contact membership@pacificunitarian.org.





Community Cinema @ The Warner Grand Presents: For Once in My Life

FILM: *For Once in My Life* with 30-min. opening music act: *Hi Hopes & ECF* art exhibit to follow film.

DATE | TIME: January 22, 2011 | 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Warner Grand Theatre, [478 W. 6th St., San Pedro, CA](#) with art exhibit at Findings Gallery, 470 W. 6th St., San Pedro, CA

For Once In My Life is a documentary about a unique band of singers and musicians, and their journey to show the world the greatness—and killer soundtrack—within each of them. The band members have a wide range of mental and physical disabilities—as well as musical abilities that extend into ranges of pure genius. In a cinema verite style, the film explores the struggles and triumphs, and the healing power of music, as the band members' unique talents are nurtured, to challenge the world's perceptions.

To warm the stage before the film, hear Hi Hopes from Hope University in Anaheim. Hope University is an arts program for adults with developmental disabilities. After the show, there will be an art show and reception at the Findings Art Gallery with work by artists from the **Exceptional Children's Foundation (ECF)**. For more information about **Hi Hopes** please see www.hopeu.com. For more about **ECF**, please see: www.ecf.net
Please join us for this full afternoon of music, film, and art.

TICKET | RSVP: All screenings are free, but please RSVP. To RSVP or for more information, go to www.grandvision.org / 310.833.4813 / taran@grandvision.org.



SAMPLE A NEW WAY TO CONNECT @ PUC

On **Sunday, January 30** following the service (and a sandwich and fruit lunch for the participants), you are invited to participate in a one-hour sample **Small Group Ministry (SGM)** experience.

In February all church members and friends will have the chance to sign up to participate in Small Group Ministry. SGM provides opportunities for intimacy, community building, and spiritual exploration.

Below is a description of what the groups are and how they work. Come and participate in a sample group and see for yourself why this is such a popular program in so many UU churches around the country.



Special PUC Tour of *Dreams Deferred: Artists Respond to Immigration Reform* @ Chinese American Museum

PUC members and friends are invited to a free tour of an exciting new exhibit at the [Chinese American Museum](#) in Downtown L.A. on **Sunday, Jan 16 @ 2 pm**. Meet at the museum next to El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument to view *Dreams Deferred: Artists Respond to Immigration Reform*, showcasing local street artists exploring the tensions, repercussions, hopes, and dreams of immigrant communities in the face of new immigration legislation. **Vivien Hao**, PUC member, is a docent for the museum and will lead the one-hour tour through a broad spectrum of art including street art, graffiti art, sculptures, painting and multimedia installations.

For information and directions, visit www.camla.org. This is an eye-opening exhibit, appropriate for teens through senior citizens. If you're wondering why this exhibit is at the Chinese American Museum-- you must come to learn the intriguing answer! Please RSVP by 1/13



"IMMIGRATION REFORM AS A MORAL ISSUE" Curriculum Starts @ PUC in February!

The museum tour is a prelude to the "IMMIGRATION REFORM AS A MORAL ISSUE" curriculum, which will be presented by Vivien and the Rev. Lee Marie Sanchez at the PUC

Library on the third Sunday of each month, starting Feb. 20 at 2 pm. This is a new six-session UUA adult education program, designed to give UUs a deep perspective on how immigration reform in this country is more than just a legal issue, but a real moral and ethical imperative. We'll cover the history of U.S. immigration and learn why the current system must be changed. Please register w/ the PUC Office if you wish to join this group, or if you want to join the tour only. Contact Vivien prcvivien@yahoo.com w/ questions.



John Reith Turns 50 – Come Join the Celebration!!

You are cordially invited to the 50th birthday party of John Reith (pianist extraordinaire) on **Saturday, January 22nd** (his actual b-day is 1/27) from 3pm to 5ish. There will be socializing from 3 to 3:30, then John will play a short concert of classical and other favorites from years at the piano; then wine, cheese and deserts from 4 to 5. All are welcome -- bring yourselves, memories, and some snack-goodies if you like.....Hope you can make it! --Regards, John

Movie (Musical) Matinee – Tuesday, February 1st @ 1 PM



Cabin in the Sky (1943)

Join us at 1 pm on Tuesday, February 1st to watch [Cabin in the Sky](#).

This is Vincente Minnelli's directorial debut, starring Eddie "Rochester" Anderson as Little Joe Jackson, a man torn between his devoted wife (Ethel Waters) and a sexy seductress "Sweet Georgia Brown" (Lena Horne). Heaven and hell battle over Little Joe's soul, but Little Joe must decide for himself before time runs out.

Louis Armstrong is also in this film along with Duke Ellington and his band. One reviewer said, "the music is classic and ultimately carries the film", and "the film carries a message of redemption and has heart".

Trivia: This film is credited with the first appearance of the "moon walk" dance step, performed by Bill Bailey, brother of Pearl Bailey.

Join us in the PUC Library to watch this movie while enjoying popcorn and a drink. RSVP to Joyce Block-Miller at 310-373-2351, joyceuu@earthlink.net or Pam Harris at 310-318-6024, pamha@roadrunner.com. See you at the movies!



PUC Women's Reading and Responding Bookclub

- February 21st, we'll discuss *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford.
- On March 21st, we will be discussing *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak.

Please join us! Open to new members.

Thanks, Robin Arehart ararehart@yahoo.com

AROUND THE DISTRICT & BEYOND:



A Night of Celebration!

Celebrating 10 years of UU Legislative Ministry

Saturday, January 22, 2010 - 6pm to 9pm

Costa Mesa Country Club, 1701 Golf Course Dr, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Featuring musical guests: The Haberdashery Ensemble!

Join other UULM supporters for dinner, music, and dancing as we celebrate 10 years of UULM!

- ♥ Celebrate our beginning and our accomplishments
- ♥ Help build our future
- ♥ Share stories
- ♥ Bring your checkbooks and generous nature

Limited seating! Tickets are \$50 each, \$25 for Young Adults ages 18-35 Purchase your tickets today!!



Double Your Camp de Benneville Pines Waterworks! Contribution for an additional 6 Months! We're over Halfway There!!

ANOTHER anonymous donor has pledged to match every donation, up to \$125,000, received or pledged by June 31, 2010, to the WATER WORKS! Campaign, to save our PSWD camp by replacing the rusted-out water system.

[Click here for the Water Works! Campaign's Current Status](#)

For all our children's children, keep the circle whole...

Make your Contribution (\$150 per foot of pipe) to WATER WORKS! soon!!!!

Donate at <http://www.uucamp.org/> or by regular mail:

Camp de Benneville Pines, 41750 Jenks Lake Road West, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305

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A PASTORAL LETTER FROM OUR DISTRICT EXECUTIVE:

Dear Friends,

I'm just back from Tucson with very raw emotions. The people killed and wounded and their families are in deep grieving mode, trying to move forward while being watched by the world. I was able to be at Services of our two Tucson congregations and I know people there are exhibiting all the emotions you all have felt, but they have pulled together in their UU communities supporting each other as we move through this horrific time.

As I drove home from Tucson my mind wandered to my wonderful daughter who continues to be a dedicated Unitarian Universalist, often out on the street corner in demonstrations in her community. She is teaching her young children the value of caring for others and speaking up for your beliefs -- they have joined her on those street corners. Yet I have to admit what hit me most was fear, not for myself but for my daughter and grandchildren.

This is a time when we know how important our Unitarian Universalists communities are for each of us. We cannot and should not deal with our feelings about what happened in Tucson alone. We need to be with each other. We need to hug each other. We need to build the beloved communities our congregations are meant to be so that we can move into the future with love and not anger.

Let us keep those in Tucson most impacted by the events there in our prayers and thoughts. If you have concerns or do not know where to turn right now, drop me a note. We need to stand for compassion and non-violence that is part of our Unitarian Universalist tradition as we help to build a better world for ourselves and our grandchildren.

Peace, Ken Brown, Pacific SouthWest District Executive



The January 2011 South Bay Unitarian Fellowship newsletter is available at <http://sbuf.org/newsletters/2011/newsletter1101.htm>

INTERFAITH NEWS:

**An evening of music and photography, bringing the world's religions together on TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 – Both Events Are Free and Open to All
6 PM Photo Exhibit and Reception, 7:30 PM Concert:**

JUDGMENT DAY A Photographic Exhibition Challenging Religious Stereotypes

by [Nicole Maloney](#) at the [Fishbowl Chapel](#), University Religious Center, University of Southern California

We make judgments about people based on religious stereotypes. These judgments are often wrong. JUDGMENT DAY confronts these issues visually through a series of photographs and video. This dramatic exhibition asks the viewer to question their judgment of others. What is the truth? Why do we judge? Includes reception with the photographer and subjects of the photos, as well as with the COMMON CHORDS musicians.

COMMON CHORDS: The Healing Power of Music and Song

7:30 pm [Bovard Auditorium](#), University of Southern California

Renowned Jewish musician Yale Strom and globally-known Sufi Muslim musician Salman Ahmed join with Hindu, Christian, and Sikh performers in a musical collaboration that transports the listener and feeds the soul.



Here's What Else is Happening @ PUC:

A= All-Church CR = Classroom H = Henrksen Hall L = Library MG = Meditation Garden
O = Offsite Meeting or Event P = Patio V = Voyagers Room

Thursday, January 13, 2011

7 PM Finance Committee - L
7 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, January 14, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H
2 PM Social Justice Committee - L
7 PM GLBTQ Movie Night - L

Saturday, January 15, 2011

9 AM All-Church Family Outing - O
10 AM French Conversation Grp - V
1:30 PM [New UU Class - L]

Sunday, January 16, 2011

9:30 AM Spirituality Forum - L
9:40 AM Choir Warmup - H
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H
11:45 AM Kids' Choir Rehearsal - CR1
11:45 AM Intro to UU/PUC - L
11:45 AM Monthly Town Hall Meeting - H
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6:30 PM Books In Our Lives Covenant Group - L

Monday, January 17, 2011

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Office Closed
9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H
11:00 AM Women's Fed - O
2:30 PM Practicing UU Covenant Group - L
7:00 PM Board Meeting - L

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

8:30 AM Zumba Gold Exercise Class w/ Suzie Bartes-H
2:00 PM Staff Meeting - L
5:30 PM MFC Study Group - L
7:00 PM Choir Practice - H

Thursday, January 20, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H
10:00 AM Tai Chi - Stephen Tang - H
11:00 AM Seniors Pow Wow to Share How - L
7:00 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, January 21, 2011

10:00 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H
7:30 PM Temple Emet Services - H

Saturday, January 22, 2011

10:00 AM French Conversation Grp - V

Sunday, January 23, 2011

Secret Pals - A
9:00 AM 7 Principles & 12 Steps Group - CR2
9:30 AM Humanist Forum - L
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H
11:45 AM Kids' Choir Rehearsal - CR1
12:30 PM OWL 7-9 - V
12:30 PM Singles-Family Brunch - O
12:30 PM New U Class - L