



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, February 3, 2010



Try Out Soulful Sundown Sundays @ PUC!

Dear Friends,

Last Sunday evening I attended our first *Soulful Sundown* Worship Service and I was amazed. Our Intern Minister, Angela Henderson, along with the sweet chants of our own Rev. Teri Masters, led the group in 45 minutes of meditation, quiet sharing, and singing. Angela designed this Service along the lines of a monastic Taize service, full of candles and soothing quiet. It was

fulfilling and restorative. I urge you to give this new Service a try. It is not meant to replace our Sunday morning Worship Service, but to heal and restore us before the week begins.

Soulful Sundown will happen this and every Sunday evening through June at 6 pm in the Hall at Church.

Please come and join us, if you are done with watching the Superbowl or never even started. Please join me this and every Sunday evening. I will be there and look forward to seeing you.

Bright Blessings, Rev. John, Lead Minister

SATURDAY:



Manuela Matute Celebration of Life THIS Saturday @ PUC

A Memorial Service for **Manuela Matute**, a long-time member of PUC, who died on January 4 at age 97, will be held at PUC THIS Saturday, February 5 at 12 noon.

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

This Week - Sunday, February 6: *Married to Amazement* – Rev. John Morehouse. Rev. John explores how the power of surprise sustains us and the ones we love. Join us as the choir sings and we celebrate love. After the service is our monthly potluck lunch followed by the second of Rev. John's talks on Buddhism.

- ☒ *Oil Paintings by Sue Cutler tittivate PUC's Art Wall through Sunday, February 13.*
- ☒ *Contact Ginnie Granoff if you'd like to share YOUR artwork with us on the Art Wall!*
- ☘ *Manuela Matute's family provides Sunday's flowers to celebrate her amazing life.*
- ☘ *Would YOU like to bring the flowers for Sunday's Services? - **The 2011 Flower Calendar has arrived!!! - Reserve your Sunday(s) NOW!!!** Dates still available:*

March 6, 13, 20	April 10, 17, 24	May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	June 5, 12, 19,
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And most of the rest of the year ... Visit the Flower Calendar on the inside of the PUC Office door - or contact the PUC Office to reserve your date!

Next Week – Sunday, February 13: *Belief and Community* – Rev. Mitra Rahnema, Guest Speaker. Is it true, Unitarian Universalists can believe whatever we want? Can a theist and humanist be in sacred community together? We live with a tension between building individual theology and our religious ancestry. As a result we have a tendency to create dualities between ourselves and others, within and outside our community walls. Today, we will look at how contemporary polarities are a gift and limitation of our unique Unitarian Universalist tradition.

MORE THIS SUNDAY @ PUC:

Secret Pals - A

9:40 AM Choir Warmup - H

9:30 AM Spirituality Forum - L

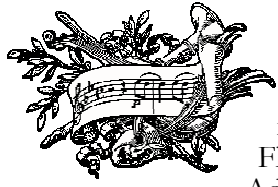
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:30 AM 1st SUunday PotlUUCK BrUUNCH - P

12 PM Intern Minister Team - V

12:30 PM Buddhism Class w/ Rev. John - H

3 PM **SB** Chamber Music Society Concert - H



Chamber Music Palisades

3 pm February 6, 2011 @ PUC

Sarah Thornblade, violin; Robert Brophy, viola; [Armen Ksajikian](#), cello; [Susan Greenberg](#), flute; [Delores Stevens](#), piano
Flute Quartet in D Major, K.285 - W. A. Mozart
Adagio and Rondo in F Major - Franz Schubert

Sonata Tribus - Jan Novak

Sonata in A Major - César Franck

6 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H



Soulful Sundown Sundays @ PUC!

Join us each Sunday night at 6 PM for a service of song, of reflection, of creativity and joy. Bring food and come early! If you have a poem or song you would like to share during the Service, please contact **Intern Minister, Angela Henderson** angela@pacificunitarian.org in advance. Solos and groups are welcome.

AROUND PUC:



PUC's Black & White Concert February 12

Plan to attend our Annual **Black & White Concert - Saturday, February 12th at 7:30 pm**
Our Music Director, Dr. Severin Behnen has lined up our favorite musicians (**Manny Arrelano, Severin Behnen, Keila Huss, Rev. Teri Masters, Bob Monzingo, Robin Paterson and John Reith**) to play beautiful classical music on our Yamaha Concert Grand Piano and violin, and perhaps a special guest or two! 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!!)

And don't forget to bring a dessert (finger food only please) for the potLUUck "Black & White" dessert bar after the show



PSALMFEST IS COMING March 6!!

Come see & hear choirs from around the South Bay/Harbor area (*including our own PUC Choir!*) at the 13th Annual Psalmfest @ the [Historic Warner Grand Theatre](#) in San Pedro, **Sunday, March 6, 2011 at 7pm**. Each year choirs from churches and synagogues throughout the South Bay/Harbor area join together to raise their voices in song and raise money for two very deserving

local charities. Each choir performs pieces of their choosing, based on the themes of Psalms and Peace, leading up to the grand finale, when all the singers join together in song.

Tickets will again be **just \$10** each, and all profits will go to South Coast Interfaith Council and Harbor Interfaith Services, to assist in their important work. Look for tickets going on sale on the PUC Patio soon.



PUC MARDI GRAS ANNIVERSARY PARTY

& SILENT AUCTION - Saturday Evening March 19

Have you decided on your Silent Auction donation?

We already have several unique offerings...

- Sign language class
- Dog training

- Math tutoring
- Music lessons

Join us on March 19th to celebrate w/ food, fun & music...while bidding on your favorite Silent Auction items! Barbara Paulsen and her committee are currently calling PUC members. Sunday, February 13th, is the deadline for donations!



Susie Bartes's Zumba Gold Continues @ PUC

Zumba Gold is a wonderful fitness program designed to take international dance rhythms and bring them to the active older adult, and/or the beginner participant. The class continues to meet on **Wednesdays from 8:30 – 9:30 AM**. Created to emphasize the basics, this program is so easy to follow that everyone can do it. The moves have been modified to be lower impact and lower intensity than traditional ZUMBA, stressing safety and proper form without sacrificing the fun!

The hour-long class includes; a warm up, several mini-routines featuring music and dance steps from around the world, a cool down, and stretching. It's a fun, easy, effective total body fitness program. **Class fee is \$10/Class for the Feb-March term.**

Susie Bartes is a certified Zumba, Zumba Gold, and Silver Sneakers instructor. She teaches dance and fitness locally at Spectrum, Equinox, and for LA County. She has over 15 years of performance, instruction, and choreography experience specializing in Latin, Flamenco and World Dance. More information: (818) 793-5687 / www.susiebartes.com.



Do You Have an HP Printer? We Might Have Your Ink Cartridge for Cheap!!

The PUC Office has several **HP inkjet cartridges** and one **Laserjet toner cartridge** that have been donated by folks who replaced their printers.

Name your price and take them away if you can use any of the following cartridges:

20 Black 29 Black 60 Black 60 Tri-Color

Plus, we have one **HP 92274A Laser toner cartridge** (OfficeMax generic) for an **HP LaserJet 4L, 4ML, 4P, 4MP, or PX printer**. If you can use any of the above ink or toner, please contact Craig Block in the [PUC Office](#)

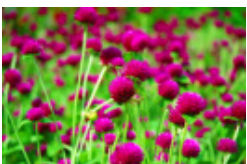


SAVE THE DATE!! PARTY! PARTY! ...PUC WORK PARTY THAT IS!!

Join us on Saturday, April 23rd for a great time with your PUC friends and neighbors sprucing up our very own PUC campus at our **Spring Sprucing Work Party**. The date is quite a few weeks out there, but we wanted to make sure you marked the calendar so that you wouldn't fill it up with some other activity that wouldn't be nearly as much fun! We'll be doing

things like painting the walls outside the Library and Office, cleaning the skylight glass in that Breezeway, painting the entry pergola, fixing switches, cleaning the scale off the wall around our fountain, painting both bathrooms, doing some repair and clean up of the street stair railing, cleaning the Library carpet, some small-scale Parking Lot repairs, maybe even paint the lower portion of the East Hall wall, and general sprucing up. There are sure to be other fUUn items added to the list.

We'll be starting the party at 9am and go until we run out of daylight, energy, food (yes...we will feed you) or patience. You don't need to be a professional painter or handyman to make a contribution. You just need a positive attitude and some free time on **April 23rd**. Did we mention that there would be food? If you think that you will be able to join the party, or if you have a suggestion for our **Spring Sprucing Work Party** – please contact John Einhorn at einchild1@verizon.net or 310-937-3134.



Where Have All the Flower(bringer)s Gone? The 2011 Sunday Flower Calendar is just starting to fill up!! Open Dates include:

March 5, 13, 20

April 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

June 5, 12, 19

And most of the rest of the year

Not only do you (and all of us) get the enjoyment of brightening up our Sunday Service with the gift of flowers, but we announce your special reason/occasion in that week's *eView* AND on the back of that day's Order of Service. *It's first come, first served, so get those calls & emails in!!*

You can bring them for Birthdays, Anniversaries, other personal or family milestones & remembrances or any Holiday you can think of... Presidents' Day, Star Wars Day (May the 4th Be with You), Flag Day, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, and (don't forget) Memorial Day...Halloween, Talk Like a Pirate Day, All Saints Day... Thanksgiving (2 chances: U.S. & Canadian!!)... Solstice, Christmas, Hannukah, Ramadan; Divali, or...you name it! Or you can bring them just because fresh flowers and plants help make our Hall look, and us feel, that much more fabulous on Sunday.

You may sign up for flowers in person (the Flower Calendar lives on the inside of the PUC Office door), or call 310-378-9449 or email Craig in the [PUC Office](#) to reserve your date.

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.



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:



Celebrate Candlemas with the Iseum of Isis Paedusis on Feb. 6 at Wilderness Park

Iwwy Em Hotep! Because we were not able to get a reservation at PUC for Imbolc, we will be celebrating at a different location and with a different theme! Candlemas is also the birthday of Nut (Nuit, Nuut) the mother of Isis, Osiris, Nephthys, Set, and Horus the Elder. Join us for her celebration on **Sunday, February 6 at @ 2:00 pm** in Wilderness Park, [1102 Camino Real in Redondo Beach](#). Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes and bring a picnic snack or non-alcoholic beverage if you wish (not required).

We have exciting news about upcoming rituals at PUC and more! Please contact us if you would like to be a part of our rituals and help plan and officiate.

Also, since we are based in an Egyptian tradition, we would like to ask that you pray for Egypt and for protection for its people and our sacred relics during this time of civil unrest in Egypt. Em hotep, em Ma'at.

-- Dion-Isis and the Adepti of the Iseum of Isis Paedusis



OUR HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL!!

4 Red Letter Dates for Your Calendar

1. PUC's own legendary chanteuse **Hope Foye** will be receiving *The Lifetime Achievement Award* from the [Pan African Film Festival](#) on **Thursday, February 17, 2011 at 8 PM** at the Nate Holden Performing Arts Center, [4718 W Washington Blvd, Los Angeles, CA](#). Hope may sing. The show will be taped before a live audience and will premiere nationally as a two-hour special on The Africa Channel **Sunday, February 27th**.

2. Then, on **Sunday, February 20 at 6:15 PM**, the film *Red Hope? The Blacklisting of Hope Foye (Her Story, Her Songs)* will premiere at The Culver Plaza Theatre, [9919 West Washington Blvd, Culver City, CA 90232](#). There will be a reception where Hope will entertain.

3. A follow-up screening will be on **Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 1:30 PM** The Culver Plaza Theatre, [9919 West Washington Blvd, Culver City, CA 90232](#).



Free Class! Learn to Quilt (Experienced quilters welcome!!!)

Saturdays 1:00 - 3:00 class -- Plus optional working time until 5:00!

Feb 19, March 5 & 19, April 2 & 16 in the PUC Library * RSVP: (310) 850-6429

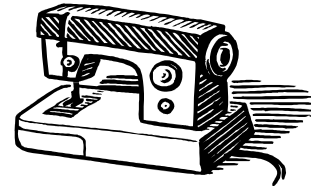
We will provide thread and batting for your project. You can bring a portable sewing machine if you have one or we will share the ones we have.

Optional Materials to Bring:

1-1/2 Yards (total) fabric(s) for Top or a pre-printed panel

2 Yards of one single fabric for Back

Recommended Fabrics: Flannel, Cotton, Poly/Cotton Blends, etc. Nothing stretchy or sheer. If you prefer, you can shop for fabric after the first class.



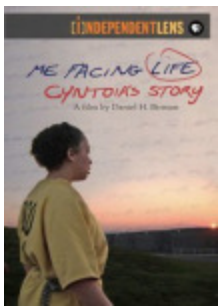
STANDING ON THE SIDE OF

LOVE

"IMMIGRATION REFORM AS A MORAL ISSUE"

Workshops Start @ PUC February 20! Now's the time to **signup for the "IMMIGRATION REFORM AS A MORAL ISSUE" workshop series, 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. Contact Vivien prcvivien@yahoo.com w/ questions.



INDEPENDENT LENS SERIES CONTINUES AT THE WARNER GRAND

Me Facing Life: Cyntoia's Story

Me Facing Life: Cyntoia's Story tells one young woman's story of violence and life imprisonment; followed by a panel discussion to explore better opportunities for young people featuring: **Dan Birman, Director, Me Facing Life, Gloria Lockhart, Director, Toberman Neighborhood Center, & Students from Port of LA High School and Boys & Girls Club of LA Harbor**

Thursday, February 24, 2011 @ 7:00 PM (please note date/time change from earlier notices)

Warner Grand Theatre, [478 W. 6th St., San Pedro, CA](#)

This documentary follows the story of Cyntoia Brown, a Tennessee teenager who is serving a life sentence for murder at the age of 16. *Me Facing Life* challenges our assumptions about violence and explores how biology and family history impact a young person's life choices. This film also looks at the positive and negative effects of the legal and penal system on one young person's life.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY CINEMA FILMS:

- 🌐 **Friday, March 4, 2011 | 8:00 PM - *Pushing the Elephant*** by Beth Davenport & Elizabeth Mandel. Genocidal violence is challenged by the fortitude and grace of one woman's mission for peace.
- 🌐 **Friday, April 8, 2011 | 8:00 PM - *Bhutto*** by Duane Baughman. An intimate look at Benazir Bhutto, the first woman to lead an Islamic nation as the Prime Minister of Pakistan.
- 🌐 **Friday, May 6, 2011 | 8:00 PM - *Welcome to Shelbyville*** by Kim Snyder. The town of Shelbyville, Tennessee faces a new wave of immigrants and grapples with what it means to be American.
- 🌐 **Friday, June 3, 2011 | 8:00 PM - *Two Spirits*** by Lydia Nibley. Two Spirits explores the life and death of a boy who was also a girl, and the spiritual nature of gender.

AROUND THE DISTRICT & BEYOND:



HUMAN RIGHTS ON THE BORDER SPRING BREAK EVENT March 17-20, 2011 Join us for a **service/learning/reflection event focused on human rights and immigration reform for Ages 16 - elders.**

Looking for a way to deepen your understanding of what is taking place along the Mexico-Arizona border? **Wondering how you can**

have a faithful response to immigration issues? Join other Unitarian Universalists for a four-day intensive *Human Rights on the Border Spring Break Trip* March 17-20, 2011. Starts and Ends in Tucson AZ.

Cost: \$280.00 includes Friday and Saturday night overnight accommodations, all meals, transportation once you arrive in Tucson, translation, and program materials. Registration deadline: February 4. For registration information, visit: <http://www.pswduua.org/media/Immigration/AZ%20Spring%20Break%20Flyer2b.pdf>.

Family and Elementary Winter Camp: Inspired UUs! Feb. 19-21



Whether you are a family with elementary aged children, or you have an elementary-aged camper who is longing for a weekend away from home, this is the place for you!

Snow angels, hot cocoa, inspired worship, sledding, talent show, wintery hikes - we have a perfect weekend planned for you and your family!

Our talented program staff puts together the program; you and your family enjoy it! For the campers who want to come on their own, we have trained cabin counselors who supervise them throughout the weekend. **Come to camp and become Inspired UUs!** Dean: Celeste Plumlee

Registration Info: Child (Currently in Grades K-6) \$145 OR Parent \$120; Accompanying Younger Child \$85

To Register for All Camps: Non-refundable deposit of \$75 per person is due at time of registration. Cancellations must be received 30 days before the start of camp for balance refund.

Register online (preferred method) or download a printable registration form from our website: <http://www.uucamp.org>. Click on the name of the camp in the menu at the left of our home page and follow the links on the resulting page.



Double Your Camp de Benneville Pines Water Works! 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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SOUTHLAND INTERFAITH NEWS:



The Importance of Interfaith Dialogue

The Bud Kilsby-Louis Valla Lecture on Progressive Religious Scholarship
Keynote Speaker Dr. Jerry Campbell, President, Claremont School of Theology
Discussing *The University Project*

"The University Project represents the conviction that religion is not a competitive sport, that religion is not the tool of empire, and that religion is not a game of winner take all. At least 21 of the world's religions have articulated a version of the ethics of reciprocity. In

Christianity it is known as the Golden Rule. Whatever it be called, the ethics of reciprocity is not compatible with religion as competition. It rather suggests religion as compassion, as a source for healing, as a foundation for repairing our conflict-ridden world." -- From the 2010 CST Convocation Address

Saturday, February 19, 2011 9 am – 12 pm

First Congregational Church of Long Beach, [241 Cedar Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90802](#)

Followed by a Panel of Experts on Interfaith and Interreligious Dialogue

- Rabbi Haim Beliak, Executive Director of HaMifgash: An On-Going Conversation Among Jewish Intellectuals, Co-Founder of JewsOnFirst.Org, former Chaplain and Hillel Rabbi for The Claremont Colleges
- Judy Gilliland, Director of Interfaith Relations for the Public Affairs Council of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, President of the Interreligious Council of Southern California
- Aziza Hasan, Southern California Government Relations Director and Interfaith Coordinator for the Muslim Public Affairs Council, Co-Director of *NewGround: A Muslim-Jewish Partnership for Change*.

🌐 Dr. Anthony Manousos, a Quaker, writer, peace activist, retired college professor, former editor of Friends Bulletin, on the Board of the Parliament of World Religions.

🌐 Rev. Jerry Stinson (Moderator), Senior Minister, First Congregational Church of Long Beach, member of the Christian-Muslim Consultative Group, on the Board of the South Coast Interfaith Council.

Cost for the lecture including continental breakfast is \$10, payable at the door.

Please register no later than February 16 by phone, mail or email: 562-436-2256, ext. 221;

office@firstchurchlb.org Make checks payable to First Congregational Church www.firstchurchlb.org

Here's What Else is Happening @ PUC:

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

Thursday, February 03, 2011

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, February 04, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

7:30 PM Temple Emet Services- H

Saturday, February 05, 2011

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V

12 PM Manuela Matute Memorial Service – H

1 PM [Quilting Workshop - L]

Sunday, February 06, 2011

Secret Pals - A

9 AM Choir Warmup - H

9:30 AM Spirituality Forum - L

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:30 AM 1st SUUnday PotIUUck BrUUunch - P

12 PM Intern Minister Team - V

12:30 PM Buddhism Class w/ Rev. John - H

3 PM SB Chamber Music Society Concert - H

6 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H

Monday, February 07, 2011

6:30 PM RE Committee - Panera Bread

7:15 PM Environmental Covenant Group - L

Tuesday, February 08, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

7 PM Addictions & Recovery Ministry - L

Wednesday, February 09, 2011

8:30 AM Zumba Gold Exercise Class with Suzie Bartes - H

9 AM PAD Program Breakfast

2 PM Staff Meeting - L

7 PM Choir Practice - H

Thursday, February 10, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

10 AM Tai Chi - Stephen Tang - H

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, February 11, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

2 PM Social Justice Committee - L

Saturday, February 12, 2011

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V

12 PM Interweave Meeting - L

7:30 PM Black & White Concert - H

Sunday, February 13, 2011

9 AM 7 Principles & 12 Steps Group - CR2

9:30 AM Humanist Forum - L

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:15 AM Secret Pal Brunch - MG

11:45 AM Kids' Choir Rehearsal - CR1

12:15 PM Green Sanctuary "Ethical Eating" Wkshp - L

12:30 PM OWL 7-9 - V

6 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H