



# 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 24, 2010

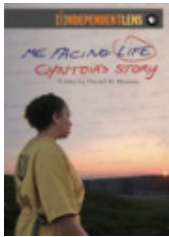


## Have You Tried Soulful Sundown Sundays @ PUC?

Last month 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. Please come and join us this, and every Sunday evening.

*Soulful Sundown will happen this and every Sunday evening through May 29 at 6 pm in the Hall at Church.*  
Bright Blessings, Rev. John, Lead Minister

## THURSDAY:



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 @ The Warner Grand Theatre, [478 W. 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

## FRIDAY:



## 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Swing Dance Night

The joint is jumpin' at our *Fourth Friday Swing*! Next dance night is **TOMORROW, (4<sup>th</sup>) Friday, February 25**. Free swing dance lesson from Tom and Ava at 7:30 PM. Dancing 8 PM-10 PM to swell tunes from Glenn Miller, Frank Sinatra, Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald and more!

**No cover charge; no partner needed.**

You've got nothing to lose but your blues, so swing on by to soak up the sights and sounds of the Big Band era at this fun, friendly and popular event.

## SUNDAY: SUNDAY SERVICE @ 10:30 AM HUMANIST FORUM @ 9:30 AM

**This Week - Sunday, February 27: *Embracing the Blues* – Rev. John Morehouse.** Rev. John shares his thoughts on why sometimes it is important to feel our loss in order to overcome the pain. It's more hopeful than it sounds. of systematic oppression and embrace the promise of freedom. Is this passion still present today?

🎨 *Watercolors by Joani Thompson & others Watercolor Workshop participants swathe PUC's Art Wall through Sunday, March 6.*

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

🌸 *Sunday's flowers are in celebration of our first born's birthday...Eileen! She is a huge light in our lives and is adding to that light as she is expecting her first child in the spring! -- Renée and John Daley*

☸ *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, 20      April 24      May 15, 22, 29      June 12, 19*

*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!*

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**Next Week – Sunday, February 27: A Most Unlikely Theologian – Rev. Dr. Lee Barker.** “A theological perspective from a surprising source tells me everything I need to know about how to live religiously and spiritually. On Sunday, I will ‘reveal my sources’ and the wisdom that is offered.” Lee Barker is President and Professor of Ministry at Meadville Lombard Theological School in Chicago. Prior to assuming his position in 2003, he served as Senior Minister of Neighborhood UU Church in Pasadena. Rev. John will co-lead the Service

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## MORE THIS SUNDAY @ PUC:

9 AM 7 Principles & 12 Steps Group - CR2

9:30 AM Humanist Forum - L [Faith vs. Reason: Are they opposed? When is it appropriate to apply them?]

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:30 AM Interweaving Documentary Series - CR2

3 PM SB Chamber Music Society Concert - H

*South Bay Chamber Music Society, INC.*

Kathryn Nevin, clarinet; Theresa Treuenfels, bassoon  
Bothnian Rhapsody  
Jeux d'enfants  
Serenade, “Music-making in the Forest”  
Petite Offrande Musicale  
Summer Music  
Folk Suite No. 4  
Potpourri Fantastico sul Barbieri di Fiviglia del Rossini

### Calico Winds

Eileen Holt Helwig, flute; David Kossoff, oboe;

Rachel Berry, horn

Jukka Viitasaari

Georges Bizet

Jörgen Jersild

Nino Rota

Samuel Barber

William Grant Still

Giulio Briccialde

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](mailto:angela@pacificunitarian.org) in advance. Solos and groups are welcome.



## OUR HOPE (FOYE) SPRINGS ETERNAL!!

**Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.** PUC's own legendary chanteuse **Hope Foye** will be receiving *The Lifetime Achievement Award* from the [Pan African Film Festival](#) (Hope may sing) in a two-hour special premiering on *The Africa Channel* tonight!



## AROUND PUC:



Get Set for *STORMY WEATHER*: *March's 1<sup>st</sup> TU*uesday Monthly MUUsical Matinee

Join us on **TUESDAY, March 1, 2011** @ 1:00 pm for our feature film, [Stormy Weather](#), starring Lena Horne with great performances by Cab Calloway, Fats Waller, the Nicholas Brothers and Katherine

Dunham. This is the second of two outstanding black musicals we are presenting showing a rare glimpse of early 1940's black entertainers.

Now in DVD format, it is vaguely based on the life of Bill "Bojangles" Robinson. It tells the story of a WWI vet who falls in love with a singer and goes into show business, only to find that their careers draw them in different directions. Organic popcorn and healthful drinks will be provided as usual. RSVP to Pam Harris [pamharris@adelphia.net](mailto:pamharris@adelphia.net) or to Joyce Block-Miller at [joyceuu@earthlink.net](mailto:joyceuu@earthlink.net). See you at the movies!



## Parlez-vous français?

Hone your French language skills at our informal conversational group. The French Conversation Group meets @ PUC at 10:00 AM most every Saturday. Call Frank Paulsen or Bette Chevron (in PUC Directory) for more information.



## Where Have All the Flower(bringer)s Gone? Still a few more Winter & Spring

**dates available Open Dates include:**

March 6, 20 April 24 May 15, 22, 29 June 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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](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:



**You're Invited to a Reception for Dr. Lee Barker 7-9pm March 5<sup>th</sup>**

Everyone is invited to a reception to meet *Dr. Lee C. Barker, President of Meadville Lombard Theological School*, our Unitarian Universalist seminary in Chicago and my alma mater. We will gather at the home of **Drs. Rocco Lardiere and Cindy Nast, 5603 Scotwood Dr. in Rancho Palos Verdes at 7 pm, March 5th, and I promise to have you out the door no later than 9 PM.** Please RSVP by phoning the Church Office or emailing Rev. John [minister@pacificunitarian.org](mailto:minister@pacificunitarian.org)





# 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.



## **March 11 GLBTQ Movie Is "Outing Riley"**

Bobby Riley (writer-director Pete Jones) is finally ready to come out to his conservative Catholic family and stop pretending that his best lesbian pal is his girlfriend. But it turns out he's not the only one harboring a secret. When Bobby announces to his three disbelieving brothers that he's actually in love with a man, that revelation turns out to be just a sample of the smorgasbord of surprises members of the clan have long been hiding.

Please join us on **Friday, March 11th at 7:00 PM** in the PUC Library for our next GLBTQ Movie.



## Boots on the Ground

### **Join Social Justice on the O<sub>2</sub> Rescue Tour-March 12!**

You will have the opportunity to put **YOUR** feet on the floor of a 49-passenger tour bus and see the air quality problems that residents of Wilmington, CA live with every day.

A trained leader will discuss the history of air pollution and its impact on the families in the community. The three hour trip is scheduled for Saturday, March 12 from 9 am to 12 noon. The pick-up point will be our PUC parking lot. After we return, we will follow up with a discussion of the tour at a picnic lunch at the South Coast Botanic Gardens on Crenshaw.

Tickets for the **O<sub>2</sub> Rescue Tour** will be on sale on the patio on Sunday. Bus tickets and a picnic lunch are offered at the **phenomenal rate of \$10!** (to help defray the bus rental.)

#### **Pre-Test (Answers will appear in your next e-view.)**

1. Can you name three sources of air pollution?
2. How many refineries are located in the Wilmington/Carson area?
3. What percentage of VOC's emissions in Los Angeles come from the Wilmington area?



## **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
- Plus all the other wonderful lunches, dinners, entertainment and service donations!
- Music lessons
- Sailing trip
- Museum outings

Join us on **March 19<sup>th</sup>** to celebrate w/ food, fun & music...while bidding on your favorite **Silent Auction items!** Dress in your favorite **Mardi Gras outfits** and enjoy the pot luck "finger foods", **Silent Auction, and Raffle Drawing.** There will also be **Rev. John's Live Auction and Live Music** ...and our own **Severin Behnen** and his six-piece band playing modern times Dixieland Jazz!



## Women's Reading & Responding Bookclub News

On **March 21<sup>st</sup>** at **11 am**, we will be discussing *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak.

On **April 19<sup>th</sup>**, we will be discussing *How to Be Good* by Nick Hornby.

Please join us! Open to new members. -- Thanks, Robin Arehart, [ararehart@yahoo.com](mailto:ararehart@yahoo.com)



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

**Join us on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 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](mailto:einchild1@verizon.net) or 310-937-3134.

## **AROUND THE DISTRICT & BEYOND:**

### **Two Dream Work Opportunities with**

### **Jeremy Taylor at First UU Church San Diego**

**Friday evening, March 4, 7-9 PM \* Dreams the Magic Mirror that Never Lies**

**Saturday, March 5, 9 AM-5 PM \* Discovering the Deeper Meaning in Our Dreams**

Both sessions will be facilitated by Rev. Dr. Jeremy Taylor and Rev. Bonnie Tarwater

Friday evening's donation if pre-registered is \$10 for First Church members, and \$15 for visitors -- at

the door donation is \$15 for First Church members and \$20 for visitors

Saturday's donation if pre-registered is \$25 for First Church members, and \$35 for visitors -- at the door donation is

\$30 for First church members and \$40 for visitors

A detailed brochure, and information about registration can be obtained from Chris Christenson, Adult Education Coordinator, at [chris@firstuusandiego.org](mailto:chris@firstuusandiego.org)

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Taylor is the author of four books on Dreams and their relationship to our search for individuation and community. Many in PSWD remember workshops with him at Camp de Benneville Pines.



## **Awakening the Muse, Nourishing the Spirit: UU Women's Retreat at Camp de Benneville Pines**

Camp de Benneville Pines is proud to announce the theme and key note speaker for the annual UU Women's Retreat on **May 13-15, 2011**. *Awakening the Muse, Nourishing the Spirit* promises to be an inspiring weekend for women from throughout the PSWD. With over half the beds already

sold, we are expecting this event to sell out early. So if you need a bottom bunk, don't delay in registering. A \$75 non-refundable deposit will hold a space for you.

Hiking, relaxing, drumming, music making, crafting, dancing, singing, recreating are just some of the activities that will be offered during the weekend. Self care with yoga, massage, facials, specialized workshops and hot tubbing will also be available. Please join your sisters at the 2011 Unitarian Universalist Women's Retreat. Rediscover your essential spirit as you engage your mind, body and soul through art, inspiration play and renewal.

To download a flier to share with a friend or to register for this event: [www.UUCamp.org](http://www.UUCamp.org), and click on COME TO CAMP, click on WOMEN'S RETREAT. Should you wish to reach the camp directly about this event, email Melissa Blackwell, Camper Liaison Coordinator, at [registrar@uucamp.org](mailto:registrar@uucamp.org), or call 909-794-1252.



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:



*You are cordially invited to attend the*

### Peninsula Interfaith Fellowship Luncheon

**12 noon – 1:30 PM on Tuesday, March 1, 2011**

**Topic: "Palos Verdes Resale" The Ministry of Mama Hill's Help, Inc.**

**Presenter: Joan Ortolano, President of the Board of Palos Verdes Resale**

PV Resale is a Thrift Shop, located on PCH and Cypress in Lomita, and founded by members of St. John Fisher Church. It sells top-quality used articles at bargain prices. All proceeds are donated to needy charities in the South Bay area. Since the shop was founded six years ago, it has donated over \$1 million and has exceeded the most optimistic expectations. Joan will tell the story of this wonderful outreach ministry.

These monthly luncheons provide an opportune way to deepen friendships and to get a sense of what is happening in the wider community. Please join us at:

**St. John Fisher Church - Fireside Room** [5448 Crest Road](#), (Crenshaw Blvd. & Crest Road)

**Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275**

You may enter the parking lot at the Crenshaw entrance just south of Crest Road. As you go up the ramp, turn left at the top and park in the area by the Church. Walk past the construction area and go east on the walkway. Signs will direct you to the Fireside Room.

Please make your reservation today, if possible: **RSVP to [DMcCormick@sjf.org](mailto:DMcCormick@sjf.org), 310-377-5571**

Please advise if you require a vegetarian or kosher meal when you RSVP.

#### Remaining Luncheons in the 2010 - 2011 Season

- 🌐 **February 1** St. Francis Episcopal Church - Rector Sarah Phelps
- 🌐 **March 1** St. John Fisher Roman Catholic Church - Monsignor David A. Sork
- 🌐 **April 5** Torrance Memorial Medical Center - Chaplain Dr. James Kim
- 🌐 **May 3** Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - Ms. Joan Behrens



### Dawn Unity Interfaith Panel Discussion

**March 8, 7:30pm**

**Topic: "Evolution and God"**

**Rolling Hills United Methodist Church**

[26438 Crenshaw Blvd., RHE](#) (Crenshaw Blvd. & PV Drive North)

**Bob Rothman is the moderator. Panelists:**

- 🌐 **The Rev. Jonathan Chute**, Rolling Hills United Methodist Church
- 🌐 **Monsignor David Sork**, St. John Fisher Catholic Church
- 🌐 **Rabbi Charles Briskin**, Temple Beth El, San Pedro
- 🌐 **President Maurice Lam**, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

The mission of the Dawn Unity Group is to bring together religious communities to foster understanding of those religious values that unite us; to respect our neighbors and their different religious beliefs and traditions.



# 58TH ANNUAL SCIC ASSEMBLY THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2011

Time: 6 pm - 9 pm

Location: The Neighborhood UMC, 507 Pacific Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90802

\$25 Tickets include dinner, Spotlight Awards, and business meeting.

To make your reservations today, please contact Patty Lance at 562-983-1665.

**Seeking Nominations for Spotlight Awards to be presented during the 58th SCIC**

## Annual Assembly

Each year the SCIC recognizes extraordinary individuals in SCIC's member faith communities for their excellence in interfaith work. SCIC is currently seeking nominations for: **Outstanding Clergy/Religious Leader, Layman, Laywoman, Senior Citizen & Youth**

*Deadline for Nominations: February 24, 2011*

Please complete this [Nomination Form](#) and return via email at [scic@charterinternet.com](mailto:scic@charterinternet.com) or mail to: SCIC, 759 Linden Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90813, [www.SCInterfaith.org](http://www.SCInterfaith.org)

## 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, February 24, 2011

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

### Friday, February 25, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

7:30 PM Swing Dancing Lessons - H

8 PM Swing Dancing - H

### Saturday, February 26, 2011

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V

11 AM MacMorran Birthday Party - H

6 PM Green Sanctuary Environmental Film Night - L

### Sunday, February 27, 2011

9 AM 7 Principles & 12 Steps Group - CR2

9:30 AM Humanist Forum - L [Faith vs. Reason: Are they opposed? When is it appropriate to apply them?]

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:30 AM Interweaving Documentary Series - CR2

11:45 AM Kids' Choir Rehearsal - CR1

12:30 PM Singles-Family Brunch - O

12:30 PM OWL 7-9 - V

12:30 PM New UU Class - L

3 PM SB Chamber Music Society Concert - H

6 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H

### Monday, February 28, 2011

9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H

10 AM Women's Circle - L

### Tuesday, March 01, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

2:30 PM Practicing UU Covenant Group - V

6:30 PM Stewardship - L

7:30 PM Strategic Planning Cmte - V

### Wednesday, March 02, 2011

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

2 PM Staff Meeting - L

3:30 PM Worship Team - L

7 PM Choir Practice - H

### Thursday, March 03, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

10 AM Tai Chi - Stephen Tang - H

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

### Friday, March 04, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

7:30 PM Temple Emet Services- H

### Saturday, March 05, 2011

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V

7 PM Reception for Rev. Lee Barker/Meadville-Lombard Theological School - O [Lardiere]

### Sunday, March 06, 2011

7 AM YRUU Overnight - L, V

9:30 AM Spirituality Forum - L

9:40 AM Choir Warmup - H

10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

11:30 AM 1st SUUnday PotIUUck BrUUnch - P

12 PM Intern Minister Team - V

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

6 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H