



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, March 24, 2010

SATURDAY:



PUC's Addictions & Recovery Ministry presents Pathways to Recovery

Saturday, March 26, 2011 • 9:30 AM – 12 noon • Henriksen Hall

Come hear a panel of addiction experts from four separate and unique paths to alcoholism recovery: **Alcoholics Anonymous, Buddhist, Christian, and SMART Recovery.** Facilitated by Rev. John Morehouse and coordinated by Angela Henderson, PUC's Intern Minister, this presentation is open to friends, family, alcoholics, and all who are interested in learning how people, whatever their circumstances and beliefs, can reclaim their lives from the grasp of addiction.

All are welcome to attend. Reservations are not required, but are appreciated for planning. For reservations or for more information, please contact **Angela Henderson** at (310) 373-5471 or email **John Daley** or **Betsy Hardiman** at addictions@pacificunitarian.org.



Green Sanctuary Film Series Screening of Documentary, "Tapped".

Will the Future Water supply be owned by Corporations? **Saturday, March 26 @ 6 PM.**

Lively discussion and "action" letter-writing to follow film. One hour and 15 minutes long. At the home of Dorian Tippett, [7002 Abbotswood Dr., RPV, 90275](http://www.7002abbotswooddr.com). RSVP/Directions, call: 310-541-6543. Bring munchies.



Have You Tried Soulful Sundown Sundays @ PUC? New Time: 7pm -- through May29.

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. – Rev. John **Please come and join us this, and every Sunday evening.**

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

This Week - Sunday, March 27: *Holes Everywhere* – Rev. John Morehouse. Rev. John returns with an intriguing question: How does what's missing in our lives help to make us whole?

- 🖼️ Oil Paintings by *Margaret Lazzari* garnish PUC's Art Wall from March 27 – April 17
- 🖼️ Contact *Ginnie Granoff* if you'd like to share **YOUR artwork** with us on the Art Wall!
- 🌸 *Rachel Bruhnke* brings Sunday's flowers "In celebration of *Alma Tamara Bruhnke's* 7th Birthday on March 30"
- 🌸 Would **YOU** like to bring the flowers for Sunday's Services? – *The 2011 Flower Calendar is here!!! - Reserve your Sunday(s) NOW! Dates still available:*

April 24 May 15, 22, 29 June 12, 19 July 3, 10, 24, 31

August 7, 21, 28 Sept. 4, 25

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](http://www.puc.org) to reserve your date!

Next Week – Sunday, April 3: *Necessay Virtues* – Rev. John Morehouse. Rev. John explores the virtues

which inform our identity as Unitarian Universalists. This will precede the first of several workshops Rev. John will be presenting on "Necessary Virtues" starting **April 7, 14 and 21** based on the groundbreaking work of Galen Guengerich, Minister of All Souls Unitarian Church in New York. See below for more details on workshop.

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12:30 PM OWL 7-9 - V



THIS COMING SUNDAY IS IT!

March 27-- Another 4th Sunday Singles-Family Brunch.

Meet at about 12:30 pm @ The Souplantation after a little Patio time at Church.

The Souplantation is on Torrance Restaurant Row on the west side of Hawthorne, south of Torrance Blvd. The address is [21309 Hawthorne Blvd.](#), toward the south end of the restaurants. If you are going north on Hawthorne, turn left just past the hotel. Follow the curve in that road, pass El Torito Grill and you are there.

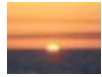
Fill up your plate, head for the back and look for Jerry's table. Come on everyone, bring a friend - the more the merrier. The senior rate is about the same as the coupon price, and Jerry will have some two-fer coupons. If you find the table first, he'll even help you with your plate, but the restaurant has helpers too.

Make a note on your calendar for next month's April date. Since the 4th Sunday of April is Easter, we're having the brunch a bit earlier on **Sunday, April 17, at 12:30** too. It will be at California Pizza Kitchen.

DON'T FORGET, SOUP PLANTATION THIS MONTH.....

**--Joyce Block-Miller, Betty Saunders, Jerry Parker and Jan Avent
for the Pacific Unitarian Singles-and-Friends Bunch-for-Lunch**

7 PM Soulful SUUndown Service - H



Note New Soulful SUUndown Time: 7pm -- through May29



Attention RE Families! Field Trip THIS Sunday, March 27 Is Going to Be a Whale of a Good Time!!

The RE Committee has planned our first, and only, Field Trip of the year. We will be visiting the Point Vicente Interpretative Center on **Sunday, March 27**. We will have a tour through the museum by a docent, and then explore the surrounding area, time-permitting. There may be whale watchers around, and if lucky we may spot a whale or 2! This is a great setting for anyone who would like to stay and picnic afterwards as well.

For your information: The Interpretive Center is next to Point Vicente Lighthouse, and this natural history museum is an ideal whale-watching spot. It was first opened in 1984. It was greatly expanded and reopened on July 15, 2006 as an almost 10,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility. Exhibits highlight the Peninsula's geology, flora and fauna. From December to May, American Cetacean Society volunteers gather daily at the Center to conduct a census of whales passing through the Catalina Channel. The friendly American Cetacean Society volunteers are happy to talk about whales, their numbers, invite visitors to observe the Pacific Ocean, share stories and answer questions.

🌈 We invite all parents to join us for this fun event. You might want to consider bringing a picnic for your family and stay afterwards. It is a beautiful place to spend an afternoon!

🌈 This Field Trip is planned for the Hobbits age on up. (we can't accommodate car seats for the Pixie age group in carpools) There will be regular class for Pixies that day, but we highly encourage Pixie parents to join us and bring your family too!

🌈 We are looking for people who can chaperone and drive. Please let me know ASAP and how many people you can take in your car.

🌈 Cars will leave promptly at **10:30 am** so please be a bit early that day. It's an easy drive from Church, or you can simply meet the group at the Center. If your child goes without you, they'll be returned to Church around noon.

🌈 We hope you take advantage of this event! It is always fUUN to get out there and explore!!

Let me know if you have any questions.

-- Thank you, Renée Daley

AROUND PUC:



We are invited to a joyful celebration! Free B&B for PUCers Attending CCUU New Orleans Dedication Weekend

It has been five years since PUC started the ball rolling with the lead gift of \$75,000 to our Partner Church, Community Church UU of New Orleans. This kicked off the fundraising program for them to rebuild their Church from the ravages of Hurricane Katrina. On **April 10** the new church buildings will be dedicated - the guest speaker will be **Rev John Morehouse**. Free B&B will be made available for the weekend to anyone who can make the trip! See the notice on the Breezeway Bulletin Board. If you are interested, call the CCUU Church Office at 504-483-2918 ----- they will make the arrangements.

--Bill Main for the Partner Church Committee

Stewardship Pledge Drive Set for May 2011



Our Annual Stewardship Pledge Drive for the next Church year (July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012) begins in May. Every member and friend is encouraged and expected to make a financial contribution, preferably by making a pledge to the Church for the total of what they hope to give through the next Church year. ***All members and friends will be invited to one of 16 cottage parties to hear about our plans for the coming year, to voice your dreams and concerns, and to make a stewardship pledge.*** These parties are hosted by leaders of the Congregation in their homes with refreshments. The Stewardship Team will invite a group of 8-12 people for you. Each

party lasts about two hours. Rev. John, our Intern Minister, Angela Henderson and Pledge Chair Ed Slizewski will visit each home to lead these conversations.

We are looking for people to host. If you can open your home for several hours, provide coffee, tea, perhaps wine, soft drinks and light appetizers please email Rev. John directly minister@pacificunitarian.org

Dates and Times Still Open:

Friday May 6th evening, **Sunday May 8th** in the mid afternoon, **Sunday May 8th** in the evening, **Friday May 13th** in the evening, **Sunday May 15th** in the mid afternoon, **Saturday May 21st** in the evening, **Saturday May 22nd** in the afternoon, **Friday May 27th** in the evening, **Saturday May 28th** in the evening, **Sunday May 29th** in the mid afternoon, **Sunday May 29th** in the evening and **Monday, Memorial Day, May 30th** in the afternoon.

This is a great way to give back to the Church we all love.

Rev. John Offers New Minister's Class:



*****Necessary Virtues***** Starts Thursdays in April

Rev. John will offer the first three of an eight part series of workshops entitled "**Necessary Virtues**" from 7-9 pm in the PUC Library on **April 7, 14, & 21**. Each session will begin with a viewing of Galen Guengerich's workshop on Virtues from the UU General Assembly last year. John will then lead a discussion based on his own insights. Space is limited so please contact the

[Church Office](#) to register. Further sessions will be scheduled in the fall.

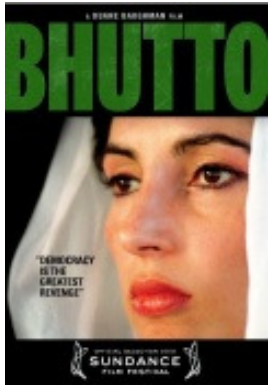
April's Interweaving Movie: Breakfast With Scot



Eric (Thomas Cavanagh) and his lover, Sam (Ben Shenkman), are pushed into becoming temporary parents to an 11-year-old boy (Noah Bernett) with a fondness for gold chains, lace and the color pink while Eric's brother (Colin Cunningham) -- the boy's father -- is out of the country. Neither man ever saw himself as a father, but having such an undeniably colorful child around the house has a funny way of changing their minds.

Please join us on **Friday, April 8th at 7:00 PM** in the PUC Library for our next Interweaving Movie.

UP & COMING:



INDEPENDENT LENS SERIES CONTINUES AT THE WARNER GRAND
Grand Vision Foundation in partnership with ITVS Community Cinema presents:

BHUTTO by Duane Baughman

Friday, April 8, 2011 | 8:00pm | Warner Grand Theatre 478 W. 6th St., San Pedro, CA

A fascinating look at the political life and legacy of Benazir Bhutto, the first Muslim woman elected in history to lead an Islamic nation.

FREE at the Warner Grand Theatre

Community Q & A and Discussion follows film with Marymount College Professors:

Dr. Ariane Schauer, Ph.D, Economic & Global Development & **Dr. Ghada Masri**, Ph.D, Global Studies

Bhutto chronicles the political life of one of the most important world leaders of our time, Benazir Bhutto. As the first woman to lead an Islamic nation, the former Pakistani Prime Minister's life story unfolds like a tale of Shakespearean dimensions. **All screenings are FREE and approximately 1-hour long.**

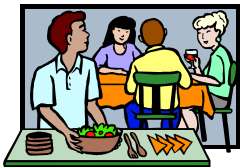
REMAINING FILMS IN SERIES:

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 10, 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.

Contact: Taran Schindler | Grand Vision Foundation | taran@grandvision.org

Grand Vision Foundation | 434 W. 6th St, San Pedro, CA 90731 | 310.833.4813 | www.grandvision.org



Have YoUU Been to a “DINNERS with UU’s” Lately?

Our next pot luck *Dinner w/ UU's* will be **April 9th**, location to be announced soon. *We need current, new, and prospective members to make the evening complete.* Sign up at the Welcome Table. Any questions, just phone Betty Saunders (see your PUC Directory) or contact the [PUC Office](#).



IT'S COMING UP!! PARTY!!! PARTY!!! **...PUC SPRING 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 Breezewa
- 🌀 Painting the entry pergola
- 🌀 Fixing switches
- 🌀 Cleaning the scale off the wall around our fountain
- 🌀 Painting both bathrooms
- 🌀 Doing some repair & 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
- 🌀 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.

AROUND THE DISTRICT & BEYOND:



2011 PSWD District Assembly & 50th Anniversary Celebration in Pasadena, CA May 20-21, 2011

[Neighborhood Unitarian Universalist Church, 301 North Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91103](#)

This year the PSWD and Camp de Benneville Pines also celebrate our 50th Anniversary, which makes this year's District Assembly especially exciting.

- ✚ Our Keynote Speaker will be none other than our esteemed *UUA President: Peter Morales*. But the best part?
- ✚ This year's District Assembly is right here in beautiful Pasadena. That give you little or no excuse not to attend!
- ✚ Please register and download an agenda at: <http://www.pswduua.org/pages/da-registration-2011.php>
- ✚ Registration \$80.00 before April 29th--\$105.00 after April 29th.
- ✚ If you are interested in being a PUC delegate to this year's DA or GA, please contact [Kathy Rickey](#)-ADR for more information.



2011 General Assembly & 50th Anniversary Celebration in Charlotte, NC June 22, 2011 - June 26, 2011

Charlotte Convention Center, 501 South College Street, Charlotte, NC

Contact: General Assembly and Conference Services, generalassembly@uaa.org

Registration is now open. Please go to: <http://www.uaa.org/ga/registration/index.shtml>

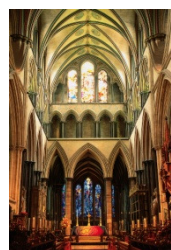
Early Registration is \$315.00 before May 2nd--\$360.00 after May 2nd. Rooms are also booking very quickly so make your hotel reservation soon.



GOING ON VACATION? NEED A HOUSE-SITTER? Lifelong UUs Catherine and Ryan Holmes are delighted to be coming back to California for the summer... one of the major perks of the student life. We are excellent dog-walkers, plant waterers, and newspaper fetchers with great references. We are available from May 15 to August 20 (except Memorial Day weekend, which is our

2nd anniversary). We are particularly looking for long-term stays, but are happy to consider short-term stays as well. If interested, please email Catherine at getpolitical@earthlink.net or Ryan at rfholmes2002@gmail.com.

SOUTHLAND INTERFAITH NEWS:



Back by Popular Demand -- The Masters Consort -- Featuring:

Hollis "Deke" Erdmann, Tenor/Baritone
(Hollis tunes PUC's piano)

Matthew Brown, Tenor/Countertenor

George Sterne

*Sunday, March 27, 2011 * 4:00 pm*

Kory Red, Countertenor

Edward Levy, Baritone

Will Rowley

*All Souls Chapel * Hospital of the Good Samaritan * [637 Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles](#) * Information: 213.977.2743*



The Guibord Center Religion Inside Out

Lecture: The Jewish Jesus

Sunday March 27th, 2011 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Dr. Amy-Jill Levine is University Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies, E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of New Testament Studies, and Professor of Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt University Divinity School and



College of Arts and Sciences. Her recent books include *The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus* (HarperOne), the edited collection, *The Historical Jesus in Context* (Princeton) as well as the fourteen-volume series, *Feminist Companions to the New Testament and Early Christian Writings* (Continuum).

St. John's Cathedral, [514 West Adams, Los Angeles, CA 90007](#) Reception to follow.

To RSVP go to: <http://theguibordcenter.org/?rsvpmaker=program-the-jewish-jesus>

Your RSVP will help us with planning for this event.

All events and programs offered by The Guibord Center are open to the public and are free of charge.



You are cordially invited to attend the

Peninsula Interfaith Fellowship Luncheon

12 noon – 1:30 PM on Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Topic: "UPDATE ON SPIRITUAL ASSESSMENT: Grief and Loss, Death and Dying, Insight and Rebirth"

Presenter: Chaplain, Dr. James Kim Studies indicate that clergy can benefit from clinical pastoral continuing education (CPE). In a study, the 1 in 4 who had taken similar course work was much less isolated and was with greater confidence as a spiritual counselor in the parish. Chaplain, Dr. Kim is sharing one of his assistant chaplain training/nursing staff education sessions with us. Please join us on April 5 at:

Torrance Memorial Medical Center

3330 Lomita Blvd. Torrance, CA 90505 -- Main Auditorium on the 2nd floor of the West Tower

You may enter the West Parking structure, just behind the West Tower, and park in the designated Visitor Lot, floors from 1 through 3. *Please make your reservation today, if possible.*

RSVP to james.kim@tmmc.com, or phone 310-891-6694. Please advise if you require a vegetarian meal when you RSVP.

Remaining Luncheon in the 2010 - 2011 Season

☉ May 3 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - Ms. Joan Behrens

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, March 24, 2011

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, March 25, 2011

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

Saturday, March 26, 2011

9:30 AM Pathways to Recovery / Breakfast - H

10 AM Pathways to Recovery - ARM Program - H

10 AM French Conversation Grp-V [2nd & 4th

Saturdays Only]

6 PM Green Sanctuary Environmental Film Night - L

7 PM Ron Keyes Birthday Celebration - H

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7 PM Soulful SUUndown Service-H

Monday, March 28, 2011

9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H

10:00 AM Women's Circle - L

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

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

2:00 PM Staff Meeting - L

7:00 PM Choir Practice - H

Thursday, March 31, 2011

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

10:00 AM Tai Chi - Stephen Tang - H

7:00 PM Men's Ministry - V

Friday, April 01, 2011

8:00 AM SCIC Habitat for Humanity Build Day - O

10:00 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H

7:30 PM Temple Emet Services- H

Saturday, April 02, 2011

1:00 PM Quilting Workshop - L

4:00 PM **New Member Reception - H**

Sunday, April 03, 2011

9:30 AM **Spirituality Forum - L**

9:40 AM **Choir Warmup - H**

10:30 AM **Sunday Services-H**

11:30 AM **1st SUUnday PotlUUCK BrUUunch - P**

12:00 PM **Intern Minister Team - V**

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

3:00 PM **SB Chamber Music Society Concert - H**

7:00 PM **Soulful SUUndown Service - H**