

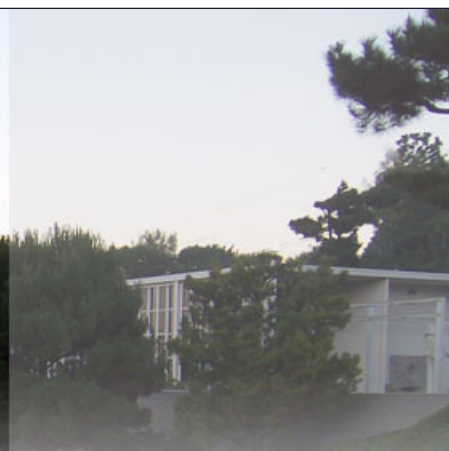


## Pacific Unitarian Church

A Unitarian Universalist Community

Committed to the Free and Responsible Search for Truth, Meaning, and Service

# The View



July 21, 2011

THE VIEW from PUC is awesome....you really should RRRREEEEEEEEAAAAADDDDD  
AAAALLL ABOOOOOOOUT IT.

## Letter from Camp

Greetings from PSWD Sr. High at Camp de Benneville Pines! I'm up here for my 23rd consecutive weeklong camp with nearly 90 youth and 15 adult advisors from our district (Southern Cal, Arizona & Las Vegas, NV), along with youth from Fresno (Pacific Central District), Minneapolis, MN (Prairie Star District), & Chicago, IL (Central Midwest District) AND 10 ministerial students taking a weeklong class on Youth Ministry (and getting practical experience) offered by our UU Meadville Lombard Theological School (Rev. John's alma mater, where he's currently pursuing his doctorate).

Diverse workshops led by youth and/or adults like canoeing, tie-dying, capture the flag, leadership, immigration issues, sexual abuse prevention, prayer, writing, pool-time, BGLTQ issues, small group ministry, and, of course, the ever popular "Sex with Craig" (safer sex education) fill our days; with Rap sessions, more workshops, the talent show, an auction to raise money for camper scholarships, worship (including a night hike to nearby Jenks Lake, where we all lay down looking up at the brilliantly star & moonlit sky fill our nights. And much hilarity all day & all night. (Thankfully, no "Dress Up Your Advisor" night this camp - see picture).

It's inspiring, exhausting, energizing, and amazing being in this amazing place with so many talented, loving and incredible UU's of all ages - it's always hard to leave and return to the "real world." See y'all back at PUC on Sunday!

(Look for the return of Severin's "Music Notes" in August.)

-Craig Block  
Church Administrator



## This Sunday

9:00 AM: 7 Principles & 12 Steps  
Group

9:30 AM: Humanist Forum

10:30 AM Service  
**Cast Out Fear**  
Rev. Teri Masters


11:30 AM: Coffee Hour; Pasta  
Lunch sponsored by Program  
Council


*Photographs by Ed Slizewski  
embellish PUC's Art Wall  
through July 31.*

**This Sunday's Flowers:** Thanks  
go to Lisa Edmondson for bringing  
the blooms to beautify our Hall.



 **7/23: Buddy Mixer Potluck  
Dinner RSVP to Membership**

 **8/21-26: PSWIRL's Summer  
Camp for Grownups at  
deBenneville Pines.**

 **11/18-20: UULMCA Justice  
Leader Training at Camp de  
Benneville Pines**

## Upcoming Sermons

7/24: **Cast Out Fear**  
**Rev. Teri** will speak on courage,  
fear, and doing the things we think  
we cannot do.

## R.E.'s sUper-hero Summer Program



*This Sunday:*

**This Sunday, July 24**, the kids will have fun making masks as we explore the theme of courage. Come "Put on a Brave Face" with RE's sUper-hero Summer Program!

**-Your RE Committee**

*...and check out the rest of RE's Summer Program...*

*Love, Courage, Justice and fUUn!*

This summer we focus on Love, Courage, and Justice. But most of all we focus on fun! Come join us! [Click here](#) for details on the sUper-hero Summer for the kids of PUC.

### **7/31: Coming Out: It's Everybody's Business**

Drawing on his experiences as a hospital chaplain, as a speaker with GLIDE, and as a gay man, guest speaker Michael Eselun explores the many dimensions of coming out--something we all must do--and invites us all to investigate the opportunities for us on both sides of the closet door.

8/7: Rev. Sonya Sukalski, and **Rio Monroe**, PUC Worship Associate, will inform us about the UU Legislative Ministry's Young Leaders Project.

### **8/14: Dignity and Classism**

Rev. John returns with an exploration of how our perception of class status impacts dignity.

### **8/21: Natural Rights**

Do we have the right to have rights? Rev. John preaches on our first principle: The inherent worth and dignity of each person.

## *Recurring Events*

### **Sundays**

Adult Forums, 9:30 AM, L  
YRUU High School Group. 10:30 AM, L  
All-Church Potluck Brunch, 1st Sun., P  
Singles-Family Brunch, 4th Sun., 12:30 PM, offsite

### **Mondays**

Women's Circle, 4th Monday, 10 AM, L  
Environmental Covenant Group, 1st Mon., 7:15 PM, L

### **Tuesdays**

Addictions & Recovery Ministry Mtg, 2nd Tues., 7 PM, L  
Women's Fed, 3rd Tuesday, 11 AM, offsite

### **Wednesdays**

Choir Practice: Summer hiatus until August 24.

### **Thursdays**

Seniors Pow Wow to Share How, 3rd Thurs., 11 AM, L  
Environmental Priorities Meeting, 1st Thurs., 7 PM, L

## CELEBRATED YOUR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?

Then you're eligible to join PUC's Half a Century Marrieds Group. Couples who've been married for 50+ years meet for lunch at the Fu Yuan Low Restaurant in Peninsula Center on the fifth Sunday of any month that has one. Sunday, **July 31** will be the date for our next gathering. Call Gerry Howey, 310-541-2284.



Volunteer Opportunities

Contact [Leadership Development Committee](#) to volunteer or find out more.

**Hospitality Coordinator:** Ensure Hosts are scheduled for every Sunday Coffee Hour and monthly brunches; order fair trade coffee

**Coffee Hour Host:** 4th Sundays of the month

**Ushers:** 1st Sundays of the month

**Welcome Table Coordinator:** Ensure Welcome Table Hosts scheduled for every Sunday.

**Stewardship Committee:** Stewardship is the visionary component of our financial leadership, including fundraising (including Pledge Campaign, split plate collections, Special Events), and volunteer recognition.

## Around the District and Beyond



### Camp de Benneville Pines

## INVITES YOU to a PARTY!

It's our 50th Anniversary and we want to share it with YOU!



Come join with dear friends to talk about the "Good Old Days," and enjoy one of your favorite places on earth--Camp de Benneville Pines!

Drop into Camp between 10 AM and 7 PM, Thursday, **July 28**, to enjoy special activities, games, music, dancing, hiking, archery, flute making, drumming....or just some good ol' relaxation.

The swimming pool will be open, so pack your swim suit and bring a towel.

Afternoon BBQ 1-3 PM

Cost is only \$20 per person.

**YOU MUST MAKE A RESERVATION.**

(Sorry, no overnight accommodations available for this event.)

To make reservations: visit our [online ad](#) or click [here](#) to go right to reservation link.

Further Questions? Contact camp office at 909-794-2928.

Registered guests will be sent an email confirmation with directions and follow-up information one week before the party!

Click [here](#) to link to our 50th Anniversary Film showing the

Men's Ministry, 7 PM, V  
Green Sanctuary/Transition Coffee  
Clatch, 2nd & 4th Thurs., 8-9 PM,  
Catalina Coffee Co.

### Fridays

Watercolor Workshop, 10 AM -  
noon, H

Interweaving Movie (GBLQ), 2nd  
Fri., 7 PM, L

### Saturdays

Dinners with UUs, 2nd Sat. of  
even-numbered months, 7 PM,  
offsite

French Conversation Group, 2nd &  
4th Sat., 10 AM, V. Call Frank  
Paulsen or Betty Chevron for info.



**Wanted:** [Housesitter/](#)  
[Dogsitter for the Ordways,](#)  
[August 9-22.](#)

**Wanted:** [Marian Mone](#)  
[Seeking Quiet Room.](#)

**Wanted:** [Casey Geist](#)  
[Looking for a Job in Music](#)  
[Production.](#)

**Wanted:** [Loving home for](#)  
[wonderful dog.](#)

[Read more details or submit your](#)  
[posting request.](#)

### Hospitality Fourth Sundays

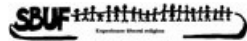
**Coffee Hour Host:** OPEN

**Ushers:** Dee Masters & Becky  
Dyer

**Welcome Table:** Virginia  
McCulloch & Marian Jones

**Greeters:** Kathy Rickey & Nancy  
Hofland

building of Homet Lodge in 1962.  
Happy Trails!



The July **South Bay Unitarian Fellowship** Newsletter is available at: <http://sbuf.org/newsletters/2011/newsletter1107.htm>.

## Summer Camp for Grownups! Aug. 21-26



The UU-oriented nonprofit Pacific South West Institute of Religious Liberals (PSWIRL) welcomes you to their annual summer camp for grown-ups event at beautiful Camp de Benneville Pines in Angelus Oaks, California. Relax, swim, or take part in a wide variety of workshops and activities--it's up to you! The 2011 PSWIRL Week is from **Sunday, August 21 through Friday, August 26**.

The Theme Speakers are Michael Dowd (Unitarian Universalist Minister) and Connie Barlow (Scientist) and the theme is "Thank God for Evolution, the Marriage of Science and Religion."

Camp de Benneville Pines is owned and operated by the Unitarian Universalist Pacific Southwest District. It is at 6800 feet altitude in the San Bernardino National Forest among towering pines, oaks, and cedars with a creek nearby, and Jenks Lake within walking distance. It has an Olympic-size swimming pool and a large hot tub. A field trip to Big Bear Lake Solar Observatory is offered.

Per person costs range from \$355 to \$470 depending on the type of accommodation you select, and include all meals and a rich selection of workshops for the week. Please ask about partial scholarships.

- Dorm (Cabins 1 & 3) - (6 max/room) - \$355
- Cabin (Cabins 5,6,7,8) - (4 max/room) - \$375
- Craig's Cabin (bunk) - \$460

The rich program (including a list of workshops) is available at <http://pswirl.org/Flyers/PSWIRL2011.htm> with an associated registration form and detailed program information. Photos and other

information from past years available at <http://pswirl.org>. Information about Camp de Benneville Pines is available at <http://www.uucamp.org>, and this year registration is very easy and available online through Camp de Benneville Pines at <http://www.debenneville.org/camps/2011/Private/PSWIRL/PSWIRLRegPage.html>.

For program information, please write to [Come2PSWIRL@yahoo.com](mailto:Come2PSWIRL@yahoo.com).

Join us in our beautiful mountain camp as we welcome newcomers and greet old friends! Experience for yourself the varied offerings of PSWIRL week.



### News from UU Legislative Action Network, California

**GOOD NEWS:** Because of your letters and phone calls California passed a budget ON TIME and with FEWER CUTS to essential health services, such as Adult Day Health Care, than promised under an "all cuts" budget.

**HOWEVER:** The agreement Governor Brown and the legislature reached to keep the Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) program open is



now in danger. The Legislature and the Governor agreed to cut 50% of the Adult Day Health Care program funding IF the state passed Assembly Bill (AB) 96, "Keeping Adults Free from Institutions" by July 28. AB 96 reconfigures the ADHC program so it can receive federal Medicaid funds to keep humane, cost-effective programs like California's ADHC open. The Legislature did its part and passed AB 96, but Governor Jerry Brown has refused to sign it. The Governor claims that his administration created a new program, but as the San Francisco Chronicle reported this Sunday, the Governor has failed to offer an alternative to AB 96 and Medicare Waiver funding. Thousands of California seniors and adults with disabilities will lose critical, cost-effective daily medical care on August 31, forcing them into institutions or nursing homes.

Please call Governor Jerry Brown at (916) 445-2841 today. Here is a suggested script you can use during your phone call: *"My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a Unitarian Universalist from \_\_\_\_\_ . There are elderly members of my congregation that rely on services like Adult Day Health Care to live in their homes and remain part my faith community. I want Governor Brown to sign AB 96 and save Adult Day Health Care so these members of my congregation and thousands of other seniors and adults with disabilities can remain in their homes and communities."*

Then please call Senate Pro Temp Darrell Steinberg at (916) 651-4006 and Assembly Speaker John Pérez at (916) 319-2046. You may choose to say something like: *"My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a California voter and/or Unitarian Universalist from \_\_\_\_\_ . There are elderly members of my congregation that rely on services like Adult Day Health Care to live in their homes and remain part my faith community. Please ask Governor Brown to sign AB 96 and save Adult Day Health Care so members of my congregation and thousands of other seniors adults with disabilities can remain in their homes and in communities."*

This is why your call is important. Roxie Kellam, a UU running a successful Bay Area ADHC program, asked her recent Letter to the Editor in the San Francisco Chronicle, "Where do you expect the 37,000 medically fragile seniors and disabled in the 300-plus ADHC programs to go?" They can't go to In-Home supportive services because the level of care is not the same as the ADHC programs, so the answer to Roxie's question is "an institution." That is why we need to pick up the phones today and encourage Governor Brown to sign AB 96. For more information on AB 96, please go to [www.caads.org](http://www.caads.org).

Thank you for all you do!

**-Amy Petré Hill**  
UULM Health Care Steering Committee



