



# Pacific Unitarian Church

A Unitarian Universalist Community

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

# The View



June 21, 2012

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi,

...and *THE VIEW* from PUC has info about how YOUU can join our delegation in Phoenix for Justice GA this weekend in a virtual manner. Look below to see how you can follow GA from home, work, or on the go!! That & much more -- all here in *THE VIEW* from PUC....REEEEEAAD AAALL ABOOUUTT IT!

If you're having trouble reading the View in your email, [click here to download the PDF version](#)

Please send all VIEW submissions to [Newsletter@pacificunitarian.org](mailto:Newsletter@pacificunitarian.org)



## General Assembly Is Off to a Rousing Start

Ali Oberoi proudly carried the PUC banner during the Banner Parade at the awesomely inspiring Opening Celebration of Justice General Assembly in Phoenix last night. [CLICK HERE to see the video.](#)

GA 2012 workshops will focus on justice issues, including topics such as the spiritual foundations of justice work, the theology of social justice, as well as a more tactical focus on organizing.

There will definitely be a strong focus on immigration in keeping with our commitment to the [organizations that have invited us to Phoenix](#). Programming and action will deal with immigration both specifically and in a broader context of human rights and justice.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find out how you can follow the UU General Assembly coverage from home...or wherever you are!

Download: [The General Assembly \(GA\) Mobile app.](#)

## THE WARE LECTURE SERIES

This year's Ware Lecture, featuring [Maria Hinojosa](#) takes place on **Saturday, June 23 @ 5:15 - 6:15 PM.**

Founded in 1920 by a generous gift from Harriet E. Ware of Milton, Massachusetts, the Ware Lecture Series originally took place during the American Unitarian Association's May Meetings. Following consolidation in 1961, the lecture series moved to become a part of the Unitarian Universalist Association's June General Assemblies. [This retrospective of Ware Lectures from 1931-2007 contains brief biographies of most of the speakers featured during these years.](#)

## This Sunday

**9:00 AM 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Forum:**  
*12 Months to a Compassionate Community: A reflection on The 12 Steps to a Compassionate Life*

10:30 AM Service  
**Saving Grace**  
Rev. John Morehouse

12:30 PM (Mature) Singles-Family Brunch - O

7 PM Meditation Circle w/ Randy - CR1

*Sunday's Flowers are "in honor of my daughters' - Sandra & Sue - birthdays!"*

—*Virginia McCulloch/Ramos*

**Where Have All the Flower(bringer)s Gone?**  
*Is it Your Turn to Bring Flowers on Sunday Morning?!?! Plenty of dates are still available:*

July 22, 29  
August 5, 12, 19, 26  
September 2, 9, 23, 30  
Please contact the [PUC Office](#) to reserve yours!

Paintings by DuWayne Higgins

elucidate PUC'S ART wall  
through  
Sunday, June 24.

## PUC Election Results: **Everyone's in Favor**

A quorum was successfully reached for last Sunday's Annual Business Meeting. All four nominees - Ali Oberoi, Clay Bosler, Carolyn Waters and Andy Kissner - will join the 2012-13 Board of Trustees; the proposed budget was accepted; and Angela Henderson will be ordained at PUC in October.

## It's Not Too Late to Make **YoUUr** 2012-13 Stewardship Commitment

**A Big Thank You to All Who Have Turned in Your Commitments So Far.** Please be sure to make your 2013 Stewardship Commitment SOON! You can go online to the PUC home page, click on "[Fuel The Flame](#)" and enter your contribution information for the 2012-2013 Stewardship Contribution Campaign. Completed forms can be turned into Craig Block in the PUC Office or you can [complete your form online](#).

Help support all our wonderful staff and programs at PUC!

—Pam Harris, Stewardship Chair

## UU Joke of the Week:

Why are UUs the worst hymn singers?

Because they're always reading ahead to see if they agree with the next line.



**7/14, 5 PM, Manney's Farewell Recital** Manuel 'Manney' Arellano will be playing a piano concert at PUC at 5 PM, Saturday, July 14. We have scheduled it early so all can attend, even those who prefer not to drive at night.

More details to follow. Or contact Patricia Hart for more info. 310-658-1074.

## Upcoming Services June's Monthly Theme: **Grace**

**6/24: Saving Grace**  
**Rev. John Morehouse**  
**Rev. John** returns from the UU General Assembly in Phoenix to explore the power of helping those in need to simply live.

## Upcoming Services June's Monthly Theme: **Revolutions**

**7/1: Letters Home From Camp**  
**Guest Speaker, Jason Cook**  
By sharing both humorous and poignant real-life experiences working with youth, Jason Cook explores what it means to act on our principles when it comes to creating a community that includes everyone, regardless of age. Using the ministry of presence, how can

## **A Tasty FUUn(d)raiser for PUC @ CPK**

Mark Your Calendar for **JUNE 27** for an easy, fun, and yummy way to raise money for PUC

Just print a copy of [this downloadable flyer](#) and bring it with you to the **California Pizza Kitchen** (Rolling Hills Plaza/25306 Crenshaw Blvd.) on **Wednesday, June 27** for lunch and/or dinner between 11 AM - 9 PM. PUC will receive 20% of your bill! Gift cards purchased at that CPK that day count too!

So please mark your calendar and share this flyer with your friends and family! And what a great opportunity to spend time with your new and old friends at PUC. Meet there and nourish your body AND spirit at the same time.

Questions? Check with Denise Shiozawa (310) 257-9127.

NOTE: Please do **NOT** pass out this flyer to strangers near the restaurant. This will void our fundraiser.

## **SUMMER MADNESS COMES TO PUC SATURDAY, JUNE 30 @ 7 PM**

The Stewardship Committee is presenting a very fUUn fundraiser-- **Summer Madness** is a celebration of summer with performers singing, dancing, and doing improv comedy! Hot dogs will be available. Come and join the party! Appropriate for teens and adults. **Saturday, June 30** at 7 PM. Tickets will be available in advance and at the door.

Adults (18+) - \$10 donation; Teens and kids - \$5 (5 and under free). For more information call the [PUC Office](#) at 310-378-9449.

*Around the District and Beyond*

## **Illuminations: The 1st Unitarian Universalist App is here for iPhones...Android Version Coming Soon**

**Illuminations**, the Unitarian Universalist Association's (UUA's) first app is now available for free in the [iTunes App Store](#)! This version runs on iPhones, iPod Touch, and iPads. The Android version is right around the corner and will hopefully be ready by GA.

Illuminations has over 350 Inspirational Words, a Chalice Lighter with several chalice options, and a Seven Principles Guide in English and Spanish, along with examples of the Principles in action.

Inspirational Words and the Seven Principles can be shared via Facebook, Twitter, and email.

## **Registration for the following UUA-sponsored trips is now open:**

[BorderLinks Trips to the U.S.-Mexico Border](#)

**Dates: October 5–8, 2012** (registration deadline: August 5, 2012);

**May 27–30, 2013** (registration deadline: March 24, 2013)

[UUA-UUSC Supporter Journey to Tanzania and Burundi](#)

**Dates: November 10–20, 2012** (registration deadline: September 10, 2012)

[UUSC-UUA JustWorks Trips to Haiti](#)

**Dates: October 13–20, 2012** (registration deadline: August 5, 2012);

**January 5–12, 2013** (registration deadline: October 28, 2012); **March**

**2–9, 2013** (registration deadline: December 30, 2012); **May 25–June**

**1, 2013** (registration deadline: March 24, 2013)

*There are also opportunities for congregational trips, in which congregations send delegations of 10–15 participants. [Learn more](#)*

[about congregational trips to Haiti.](#)

[Rebuilding New Orleans: Turning the Tides](#)

**Dates: September 20–29, 2012** (registration deadline: July 20,

2012); **November 10–17, 2012** (registration deadline: September 10,

2012); **February 7–16, 2013** (registration deadline: December 7,

2012); **April 27–May 5, 2013** (registration deadline: February 27,

2013); **July 20–27, 2013** (registration deadline: May 20, 2013).

## **SOUTHLAND INTERFAITH NEWS**



New & upcoming Summer programming from the

*South Coast Interfaith Council:*

[Heart to Heart: Connecting with the Divine](#)

[SCIC Beach Clean-Up](#)

[SCIC Interfaith Build Days with Habitat for Humanity](#)

[SCIC Feeding the Homeless](#)

[7th Annual Pedaling for Peace Interfaith Unity Bike-a-thon](#)



the ministry of presence, how can we begin a revolution to create a more loving, inclusive world? His spouse, vocalist and harpist Lawrence Ingalls, will share his music as well.

Jason Cook is in Aspirant status for UU ministry and is a full time student at Meadville Lombard Theological School. He has degrees from the University of Southern California in both film analysis and creative writing, and has worked as a writer, editor, and actor. He also serves Aids Services Foundation of Orange County as a state-certified HIV counselor and is currently participating in the Chaplain training program at St. Joseph Hospital in Orange. Jason is an active member of Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church in Costa Mesa.

### **7/8: Revolutionary Spirits**

**Guest Speaker, Lee Marie Sanchez**

We'll explore our founders' enlightened faith and vision for the nation which we have inherited and whose legacy we still wish to protect and preserve today. What

did our founding Fathers & Mothers really have to say about religion and politics; church and state?

### **7/15: The Uprising of Snowflakes**

**Guest Speaker, Rev. Denis Paul**

Each of us is special, unique, and mysterious as a snowflake falling silently through the cold night air of winter. The individuality of each of us is our gift to the world, the grace we bring to our neighbors who are suffering. But snowflakes are fragile, susceptible to melting quickly, and being vaporized in the heat of the day, rising up into the atmosphere in gaseous form. What would it take for the snowflakes of world to unite, to rise up in power and strength? That could change the world.

### **7/22: I Don't Have a Suit**

**Guest Speaker, Michael Eselun**

Well-received guest speaker here and oncology chaplain, Michael Eselun will explore the

[See the Member to Member Page on the PUC Website for more](#)

## **Tweens/Teens Write On!**

Four weeks: Fridays, 1-2:30 PM **June 29 - July 20**

*Tweens/Teens Write* is a workshop for young writers in all genres of poetry and fiction, taught by professional writer and college professor **Denise Dumars**. The class teaches kids what a writers' workshop is all about, with kids supporting other kids in their writing.

Denise provides unique assignments as well as giving expert advice to writers, as she is a widely published poet and science fiction and fantasy writer! The class celebrates imagination and originality in a fun and supportive atmosphere, located in one of the South Bay's most interesting venues. Summer Studios comes complete with lots of art, plants, and animals to inspire writers. Give kids the gift of creativity with this educational and entertaining workshop!

Summer Studios Arts Academy

[2161 Lomita Boulevard](#)

[Lomita, CA 90717](#)

(310) 325-8801

Located just east of Crenshaw Blvd. and the City of Torrance.

\$140/student -- No drop-ins; please register early!

Bring a notebook and pen or pencil; other materials supplied.

## **Occupy PV Is Here for YoUU**

Feel like democracy is not fulfilling its promise? Want to make our nation a better place? **Occupy PV** may be the place to express your concerns.

Occupy PV is a group of concerned Peninsula residents who have a vision for a better America. They act in solidarity with Occupy Wall Street and many other Occupy groups around the country.

Occupy PV demonstrates **every Saturday** from 11 AM to 1 PM at the intersection of Hawthorne Blvd and Silver Spur Road in Rolling Hills Estates. You are invited to join us.

Contact [Hans Grellmann pvegrellmann@dslextrreme.com](mailto:pvegrellmann@dslextrreme.com) or **Barbara Gleghorn** for more information.

## **Second Sunday Hospitality**

**Sunday Coffee Hour Coordinator:** [Frances Morehouse](#)

[Contact Frances](#) if you would like to help!

**Ushers:** TBA

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

**Greeters:** Jean McDaniel & Shuja Oberoi

## **The Week At a Glance**

[Get this month's PUC Calendar Here!](#)

**Thursday, June 21, 2012**

**[UU General Assembly - Phoenix, AZ](#)**

8:30 AM Aerobics - H

10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H

11 AM Seniors Pow Wow to Share How - L

7 PM Men's Ministry - V

7 PM Facilities Committee Mtg - L

Michael Eselin will explore the experience of insiders and outsiders — our yearning to belong and the comfort we take in belonging versus our inner experience of being on the outside, often at the same time.

## **7/29: Sowing the Seeds of Faith in the Field of Despair**

**Guest Speaker, Rev. Lucas Hergert**

What happens when hoped-for change fails? How can you find good news in the midst of heartbreak and loss? This sermon will explore the revolutionary faith that can survive even the darkest times.

## **Recurring Events**

### **Sundays**

*Sunday Morning Forums, 9:30 AM, L*

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: A UU Exploration of Our Monthly Theme*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: A Humanist Perspective*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Spirituality and UU*

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: [9 AM] 12 Months to a Compassionate Community: A reflection on The 12 Steps to a Compassionate Life*

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Choices in a Jar—Delightful Dilemmas (4/29, 7/29, 9/30 & 12/30)*

*YRUU High School Group, 10:30 AM, L*

*All-Church PotlUUCK BrUUunch, 1st Sun., P  
Singles-Family Brunch, 4th Sun., 12:30 PM,  
Offsite*

*Monthly Town Hall Mtg, 3rd Sun., H*

*Great Books Discussion Grp, 7 PM, 2nd  
Sun., L*

*Meditation Circle w/ Randy Goff, 7 PM, All  
but 1st Sun*

### **Mondays**

*Tai Chi (Pekich), Mondays, 9:30 AM, H*

*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*

### **Wednesdays**

*Choir Practice: Wed., 7 PM, H*

### **Thursdays**

*Tai Chi (Beck), Each Thurs., 10 AM, H*

*Seniors Pow Wow to Share How, 3rd*

*Thurs., 11 AM, L*

*Environmental Priorities Mtg, 1st Thurs., 7  
PM, L*

*Men's Ministry, 7 PM, V*

**Friday, June 22, 2012**

**UU General Assembly - Phoenix, AZ**

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H  
1 PM Friday Afternoon SGM - L

**Saturday, June 23, 2012**

**UU General Assembly - Phoenix, AZ**

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V [2nd & 4th Saturdays]  
11 AM 7 Principles & 12 Steps Grp - CR1  
6 PM

**Sunday, June 24, 2012**

**UU General Assembly - Phoenix, AZ**

9 AM Forum: Reflection on '12 Steps to a Compassionate Life' - L  
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H  
12:30 PM Singles-Family Brunch - O  
7 PM Meditation w/ Randy Goff - H

**Monday, June 25, 2012**

9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H

**Tuesday, June 26, 2012**

8:30 AM Aerobics - H  
12 PM Pastoral Care Associates Mtg - L  
7 PM Program Council - L

**Wednesday, June 27, 2012**

11 AM Staff Meeting - L  
7 PM Infinity in Your Hands Group - L

**Thursday, June 28, 2012**

8:30 AM Aerobics - H  
10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H  
7 PM Men's Ministry - V  
8 PM Environmental Coffee Clatch - Catalina Coffee Co. Redondo Bch

*Green Sanctuary/Transition Coffee Clatch.  
2nd & 4th Thurs., 8-9 PM, Catalina Coffee  
Co.*

**Fridays**

*Watercolor Workshop, 10 AM - noon, H  
Friday Afternoon SGM, 2nd & 4th Fri., 1-3  
PM, V  
GBLTQ Movie, 2nd Fri., 7 PM, L*

**Saturdays**

*French Conversation Grp, 2nd & 4th Sat.,  
10 AM, V. Call Frank Paulsen or Betty  
Chevron*

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***Sunday Service @ 10:30 AM***

***Office Hours: Sun.: 9 am - 3 pm***

***Mon. - Thurs: 10 am - 4 pm***

