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Pacific Unitarian Church

A Unitarian Universalist Community

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

The View



November 8, 2012

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi,
...and *THE VIEW* from PUC is all about Becoming Whole too (chock full, anyway!!!) Here 'tis, all the PUC news that barely fit in print...REEEEAAADD AALLL ABOOUUUT IT!



Music Notes

From the Music Department:



Thanks to Reggie Neal for joining me to celebrate Halloween with live musical accompaniment to the great silent film classic *The Phantom of the Opera*. Thanks to Craig for organizing and basically making it happen.

You'll remember Linda Alvarez's inspiring tribute to Mahalia Jackson. We look forward to her return to sing with the PUC Choir on the **first Sunday in December**.

I meet with the Youth Choir most Sundays from 11:45 until 12:15. It's a great way for kids to learn about UU principles through music.

The PUC Choir is excited about two projects scheduled for the spring of next year. We will be inviting people from the community to join us in a performance of Gabriel Faure's *Requiem* on **May 5**. Perhaps YOU want to get involved. Then on **May 17** we will host our regional UU choir festival.

—Severin

Dr. Severin Behnen, Music Director
Music@pacificunitarian.org

Religious Education Matters

- **This Sunday**, Kindergarten through 8th graders (Hobbits, Sojourners, and Voyagers) continue their exploration of Christianity including the varied Christian faiths, the teachings of

Upcoming Services:
November's Monthly Theme:
WORTH

This Sunday

9:15 AM 2nd Sunday Forum:
In Nature's Honor: Myths, Rituals,
& Holidays Celebrating the Earth

10:30 AM Service
**Becoming Whole:
A Healing Service**

**Rev. John Morehouse &
Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki**
Revs. John & Tamara join together to offer prayers of healing during this beloved worship service. Congregants will be invited to come forward and receive words of healing from our ministers as the congregation sings.

The Week At a Glance

Thursday, November 8, 2012

8 PM Environmental Coffee Clatch -
Catalina Coffee Co. Redondo Bch

Friday, November 9, 2012

10 AM Watercolor Wkshp - H
7 PM GLBTQ Movie Night - L

Saturday, November 10, 2012

Jesus, and the celebration of Las Posadas with our Activity Guides *Vivien Hao and Bruce & Tracy Lewis*.

- **November 18** is our first Faith in Action Day! This is an onsite, multiage day of learning and service for our children and youth. The Sr. High teens will be helping the younger folks start seedlings for PUC's Permaculture Garden's fall plantings!

—*Rev. Tamara*

2nd SUNDAY ADULT R.E. PROGRAMMING

9:15 AM: In Nature's Honor: Myths, Rituals, & Holidays Celebrating the Earth

12:15 PM: The Transition Companion: Making your Community More Resilient in Uncertain Times

Copies of the first chapter have been on the Transition table on the Patio. If you need a copy, it's on Picasa. Contact me: DoriDemombynesTippet@cox.net / 310-541-6543. All who care about the environment are welcome! I have made seven deliveries of produce from the PUC Garden to the Harbor Interfaith Services Food Pantry. They love receiving our fresh produce. Many thanks to all our Garden Angels.

—*Dorian Tippet*

[* CLICK HERE for your Month-at-a-Glance reference *](#)

—*Kathy Rickey, Adult Religious Education*

Saturday, November 10, 2012

10 AM French Conversation Grp - V
[2nd & 4th Saturdays]
6 PM Buddy Mixer - O

Sunday, November 11, 2012

Veteran's Day
9:30 AM Forum - In Nature's Honor:
Myths & Rituals Celebrating Earth - L
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H
11:45 AM Youth Choir Rehearsal - CR3
12 PM Town Hall - Meet the New Board
- H
12:15 PM Green Sanctuary Mtg - L
3 PM SB Chamber Music Society
Concert - H

The Jung Piano Trio

*Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 70,
No. 2 (1808) - Beethoven
**"Old Photographs" from
Constantinople (2000) - [Christos Hatzis](#)

*Piano Trio in F minor, Op. 65 (1883)
- [Anton Dvorak](#)
7 PM Great Books Discussion Grp -L
7 PM Meditation w/ Gilana (Randy) -H

Monday, November 12, 2012

9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H
7 PM Men's Ministry -V

Reminder - November 11 Congregational Mtg about Big Growth Plan

During this meeting, we will have a thoughtful dialogue on the implementation of the PUC Strategic Plan. This will include the first of several votes on proposed capital improvements that support the Strategic Plan implementation. By now, you should have received a meeting notice along with read-ahead materials. [[CLICK HERE](#) for those materials.] This Sunday, there will be a Big Growth Plan table on the Patio prior to and after the Service for you to ask questions and obtain more information on the plan.

Additionally, Board of Trustees members will be circulating after the service with absentee ballots. They can also engage in dialogue and answer questions. Your Strategic Planning and Facilities Committees are generating a list of FAQs to help answer questions and ensure transparency. The latest list of FAQs will be available at the Big Growth Plan table and by following the link above to the website. If you should have any questions that you believe would be helpful for you and your fellow PUC members to see on the list, please forward the questions as soon as possible to John Einhorn, einchild1@verizon.net, or call 310-937-3134.

—*John Einhorn*

UUSC News

UUSC Holiday Cards go on sale **THIS Sunday, November 11** on the Patio. You will not be able to miss the UUSC table.

Guest at Your Table comes to PUC on **Sunday, Nov. 18**. This is an annual tradition in which PUC members learn about people with whom the Service Committee is working. This year, we are featuring

Save the Dates!

11/18, 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM, Dr. Bill Roley Workshop in Permaculture Garden

You are once again invited to meet with PUC Food Garden Consultant, Dr. Bill Roley, in the garden on **Sunday, Nov 18** in the afternoon; donations requested. He will answer our questions on composting, vermiculture and fall crops.

Dr. Roley guided us to an audacious harvest this summer. Bill teaches water-wise techniques for planting the three small citrus in the slope next to the stairs. Whether we accomplish this on Nov 18 depends upon preparation and willing hands.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more Green Sanctuary News!

11/22, 1 PM, THANKSGIVING FEAST ...again this year at Sandy McNeil's home. If you will be rattling around by yourself on Thanksgiving Day, come join a great group of PUC friends and

whom the Service Committee is working. This year, we are featuring some of our particularly innovative partnerships. These people are your " guests" and you are asked to share your blessings with them to support our shared mission.

News from PUC's Green Sanctuary

Did you know that the PUC Big Growth Plan includes a canyon orchard, children's gathering area, a wild land trail and several garden enhancements? The **Nov 11** Congregational Meeting is to discuss and vote on the Big Growth Plan, grown out of the Strategic Plan approved last January. It provides broadly for safety, efficiency, and support for growth.

Green Sanctuary Certification Several of us are working on the narratives to be submitted with our application for PUC's certification by the UUA. Hooray!!

Activity in the garden A shout-out to our loyal Garden Angels who have kept the trees alive, the compost watered and the garden neat! Ray Waters is following Bill's design of the Garden's south end, building a bench in the slope with resources from the "Fall Campus Sprucing" day. Bill shows us there is opportunity to grow a few avocado and/or fruit trees. Noel Hammond has offered to build a table for the garden. The worms are doing fine.

THE TRANSITION COMPANION: Making your community more resilient in uncertain times, by Rob Hopkins, Founder of the Transition Movement, is an ongoing study at 12:15 PM each **2nd Sunday** in the PUC Library, lead by Dorian Tippet. Contact Dorian for a copy of the current chapter for study.

Sharing abundance,
—Carolyn Waters



[CLICK HERE](#) for the latest South Bay Unitarian Fellowship newsletter.

SOUTHLAND INTERFAITH NEWS



2 More Habitat for Humanity Dates Coming Up!

We have two more dates on the calendar to join with Habitat for Humanity. More information is forthcoming, but save these dates on your calendar, and, more importantly, let me know ASAP if you'd like to volunteer - Space is

limited!

* **Thurs, 11/15** in conjunction with Unity Build Day - *spaces are available*

* **Sat, 11/17** in conjunction with Unity Build Day - *spaces are available*

Saturday build days are rare, and are great opportunities for teens (16+) to get involved! Best to you all,

—Tracy Blender

SCIC Interfaith Thanksgiving JOURNEY IN UNITY

Service 7:30pm, **Tuesday, November 20**

Temple Menorah : [1101 Camino Real, Redondo Beach](http://1101CaminoReal.RedondoBeach)

Please consider carpooling & bringing baked goods to share.

Visit www.southbayinterfaith.com for more information.

great group of friends and help celebrate. Turkey, gravy, and stuffing will be on the table, just bring your favorite side dish and a big smile. We will eat at 1:00pm. Let me know if you can make it, I'm in the PUC Directory.

Sunday's Flowers "are in memory of my son Douglas, who we lost 7 years ago."

—Joyce Block-Miller

The Flower Calendar needs YOUU!

The following Sundays are still open...

December 2, 16, 30

Please contact the [PUC Office](#) to reserve your date!

The Strategic Planning Team will be displaying information about PUC's Big Growth Plan on the Art Wall for the remainder of the year.



Pastoral Care

Ann Gilman is back home after a brief stay in the hospital. Calls are most

welcome!

Viola Rawcliffe is undergoing end of life care. Please keep Viola and her daughter (and caregiver) Susan Rawcliffe in the light and your hearts as they go through this difficult time.

Upcoming Services:

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11/18: Invited to the Feast
Rev. John Morehouse

Everyone has a place at the table!

We will be launching our annual

[UUSC Guest at Your Table](#)

Program. Join us!

Recurring Events
Download the Latest
[AdUUlt Programs Flyer HERE](#)

Sundays

Sunday Adult Religious Education Offerings

1st Sunday

9:15 PM: Faith Like a River: Themes From Our UU History
12:15 PM: Theological Academy—The Buddhist Path to Recovery
12:15 PM —Standing on the Side of Love Documentary Series
(1st Sunday of every odd-numbered month starting in January, 2013)

2nd Sunday

9:15 AM: In Nature's Honor: Myths, Rituals, & Holidays Celebrating the Earth
12:15 PM: The Transition Companion: Making your Community More Resilient in Uncertain Times

3rd Sunday

9:15 AM: UUA Statements of Conscience: Congregational Study Issues--The Doctrine of Discovery and Immigration Justice
12:15 PM: Introduction to Unitarian Universalism

4th Sunday

9 AM: 12 Months to a Compassionate Community – A reflection on the reading of the book by Karen Armstrong, 12 Steps to a Compassionate Life
12:15 – 1:30 PM: Leadership Academy—*Leadership and the Individual Module*

5th Sunday (9/30/12 & 12/30/12, 3/31/13, 6/30/13)

9:15 AM: Choices in a Jar – Delightful Dilemmas

YRUU High School Group. 10:30 AM, L
Half a Century Marrieds Group, 5th Sun., 12 noon, Fu Yuan Low Restaurant - Next Date: *Sunday, December 30*
Monthly Town Hall Mtg, 3rd Sun., H
Great Books Discussion Grp, 7 PM, 2nd Sun., L
Books in Our Lives Covenant Group, 1st & 3rd Sun., 7 PM, L
Meditation Circle w/ Gilana (Randy) Goff, 7 PM, All but 1st Sun

Mondays

Tai Chi (Pekich), Mondays, 9:30 AM, H
Women's Reading & Responding Grp, 3rd Mon., 11 AM
Men's Ministry, Mon., 7 PM, V
Environmental Covenant Group, 1st Mon., 7:15 PM, L

Tuesdays

Aerobics: 8:30 AM, H

Wednesdays

Choir Practice: Wed., 7 PM, H

Thursdays

Aerobics: 8:30 AM, H
Women's Circle, 4th Thursdays, 10 AM
Tai Chi (Beck), Each Thurs., 10 AM, H
Seniors Pow Wow to Share How, 3rd Thurs., 11 AM, L
Environmental Priorities Mtg, 1st Thurs., 7:30 PM, L
Green Sanctuary/Transition Coffee Clatch. 2nd & 4th Thurs., 8-9 PM, Catalina Coffee Co.

Fridays

Watercolor Workshop, 10 AM - noon, H
GBLTQ Movie, 2nd Fri., 7 PM, L

11/25: Cultivating an Attitude of Gratitude

Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki
On this Thanksgiving weekend, **Rev. Tamara** explores the role of gratitude, graciousness, and generosity in our lives.

New Banned Books Club Forming

Iconoclasts, rebels and book lovers sought-- Read and discuss books that have been banned by public libraries and school districts. This new PUC Small Group will meet on 3rd Fridays, starting **Nov. 16.**

First meeting topic is *Lady Chatterley's Lover* by D.H. Lawrence, one of the most controversial and oft-banned books in the English language! Meeting is 7-9 PM at Vivien Hao's

townhouse, [921 W. 18th St. #4, San Pedro.](#) (Sorry it's 3 stories and not handicapped accessible).

Please bring a copy of the book and/or notes from your reading and a dessert to share. Contact Vivien to sign up: prvivien@gmail.com.

Special Thanks To Last Sunday's Kitchen Helpers Baristas ...bakers... What, no candlestick makers?

Top chefs. Francis Morehouse & Andy Kissner.

Aided by Giana Goff, Michelle, Erica, & Kia Brown, Marvel Burke, Sean Lewis, Becky Dyer, Madeline Morehouse, J.C. Chacon & Yasuko Davidson. Well done!

If you like to help we'd love to have you! Show up in the kitchen @ 9 am for an hour of power.

Contact: **Mega Top Chef:** [Frances Morehouse](#); 310 291 3399;

OR just show up 9 at AM to claim a chance to feed 100 people with one hour of prep.

Many hands make light work!

Second Sunday Hospitality

Ushers:

Raychel Lydon & Alana Garrigues

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

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Welcome Table:

Betty Hanner & Chip Morgan

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