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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*



July 17, 2014

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi {FIRST\_NAME|PUCer},

...and welcome to *THE VIEW* from PUC. A lot of things going on and Rev. John is back!



## Message From PUC Board President



It is an honor, a privilege, and yes, a challenge to now be serving as the President of the Board of Trustees of this wonderful congregation.

As most of you know, this is a time of transformation for Pacific Unitarian Church. We have been in existence since 1958; we are 56 years old as a congregation! Unfortunately, that means that we have fewer and fewer members who were among the visionary founders of this church. If you haven't already done so, seek out some of those founders, and ask them to share their stories and remembrances of where we have been; I'm sure you will walk away even more proud of, and connected to PUC.

Your trustees have been meeting weekly since the annual congregational meeting, and many of us have been working daily on the complex issues that face us. And we are not alone in these efforts. Our staff, committees and new task force members are busy sustaining and extending our programs, pursuing new opportunities to increase our income, and considering new and more efficient ways to organize and operate. Monday night the trustees adopted a new budget that we will be rolling out to the congregation in the very near future. In the development of this budget, we have kept in mind the words of Rev. Jim Wallis of Sojourners:

*"A budget is a moral document. It clearly demonstrates the*

### July's Monthly Theme: **LIBERAL THEOLOGY**

This Sunday

**July 20**

**10:30 AM Service**

**Many Names, One Spirit**

**Rev. John Morehouse**

Rev. John presents the primary theological structure of our Liberal Theology. How do we reconcile the plurality of spiritual experience with our need to create meaning? Join us as we explore together.

### **The Week At a Glance**

**Thursday, July 17, 2014**

10 AM Tai Chi Class - H

11 AM Seniors Pow Wow to  
Share How - L

2:15 PM Staff Meeting - L

4 PM Worship Team Mtg - L

7 PM Facilities Comm Mtg - O

7 PM Family RE Ministry Mtg - O

**Friday, July 18, 2014**

7 PM [Summer Friday Nights @  
the Beach!](#) - Redondo Beach @

Ave H

**Saturday, July 19, 2014**

*priorities of a family, a church, an organization, or a government. A budget shows what we most care about."*

These are important words, and I suspect that they will resonate with everyone who reads them. The problem, of course, is that we don't all have precisely the same priorities, or care about the same things. There is much to love about the new budget – it is balanced (and will likely even have a surplus!) It honors our obligations to be a fair-share congregation within the UU Movement, and continues our commitment to fair compensation for our staff. It supports key initiatives and programs that we have underway to grow and thrive.

To "balance" the budget, and meet these moral objectives, we will be asking for volunteers to step up and cover some of the tasks we've been paying staff to accomplish. If we can get just an hour more per week from each of our members, we can have over 10,000 hours of volunteer support. This equates to over five full-time paid positions! And as we work together through these hours, we will knit our community even closer, even stronger, and even more able to "dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another."

**Peace,  
Clay Bosler**

## Religious Education Matters

### Family Religious Education Ministry JULY CALENDAR

**Please Note:**

*For the duration of the summer, children age six and below will have free play in our childcare room, while the rest of the children and youth will be together for the project or activity of the day.*

**Andrew Ponder Williams,**  
Director of Religious Education  
[RE@pacificunitarian.org](mailto:RE@pacificunitarian.org)

**7/19:** Family Religious Education Ministry All-Day Retreat

**7/20:** (TBA): **Michele Bethune**

**7/27:** Environmental Care w/ **Naresh Deo**



Please [CLICK HERE](#) to request to be added to the Family R.E. Facebook Group.

**Saturday, July 19, 2014**

- 9 AM [Blue Sky Mindfulness Training For Adults](#) - CR1
- 10 AM French Conversation Grp - V [2nd & 4th Saturdays]
- 11 AM - 10 PM - Elephant Bar Fundraiser ([bring flyer](#))

**Sunday, July 20, 2014**

- 10 AM Childcare - CR3
- 10:30 AM Sunday Services-H

**Monday, July 21, 2014**

- 11 AM Women's Reading & Responding Group - L
- 5 PM [Kundalini Yoga & Meditation Class](#) – H

**Tuesday, July 22, 2014**

- 10 AM [PUC Buddhist Meditation Group](#) - V

**Wednesday, July 23, 2014**

- 11:30 AM [Beginning Yoga](#) w/ Debi

**Thursday, July 24, 2014**

- 10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H
- 11 AM Seniors Pow Wow to Share How - L

*Sunday's flowers graciously provided by Corinne Rutledge.*

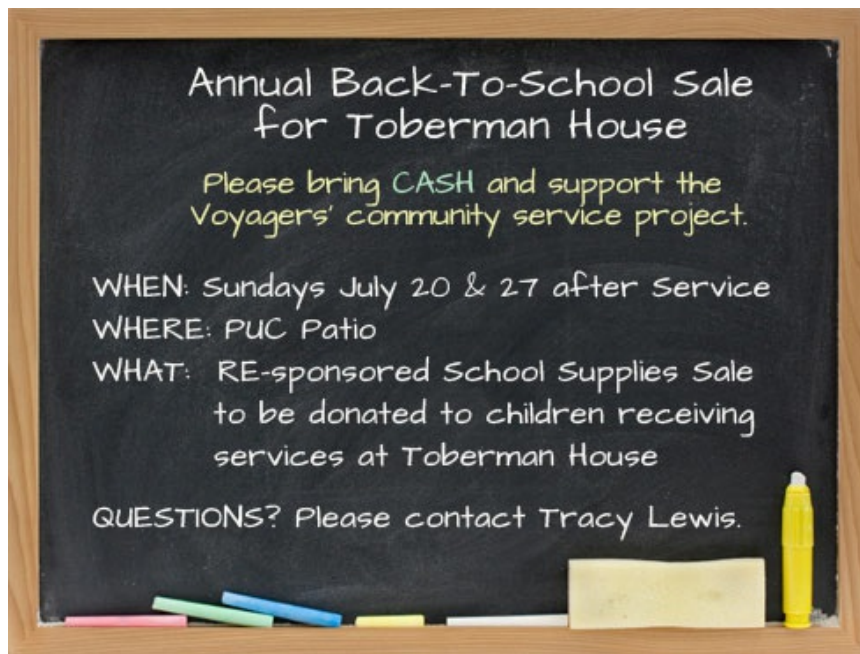
Please sign up for your turn to bring Sunday's Flowers on the Flower Calendar inside the door of the PUC Office.  
Next Open Date: August 24



**PASTORAL CARE  
NEWS:**

The Celebration of Life for

Leontine PUC



Join **SINGLES ON THE GO** for an evening of **SHAKESPEARE** under the stars at Hesse Park, located at 29301 Hawthorne Blvd. in RPV, on Sunday, **July 27**.



The performance of **A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM** begins at 7pm, so meet us at 6pm with your picnic, warm jacket, folding beach chair and/or blanket. IT'S FREE! You won't miss us, we'll have a PUC sign of some kind marking the spot. Most likely I'll be waving my arms madly in the air.

*Let Puck entertain us as he mercilessly toys with lovers of all kinds.  
"Lord, what fools these mortals be!"*

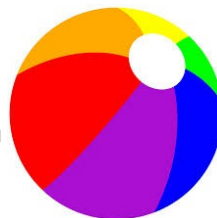
For more information, get in touch with Sandy McNeil or [Wendy O'Malley](#).

## **Summer Friday Nights @ the Beach** **ALL SUMMER LONG!!**

Bring the whole family this summer as we play in the sand and take time out to watch the sunset with reverence together.

Pack a picnic or get together for a late dinner and drinks afterwards at a local establishment.

Look for the beach balls! Every Friday night at **7 PM on Redondo Beach at Avenue H**.



## **New Minister's Class: VIEWS OF THE AFTERLIFE**

**4 SUNDAYS: AUG 3, 10, 17, 24**

12:30 - 1:30 PM in CLASSROOM 1

longtime PUC

Member **Lenore Snodey** will take place at 10:30



AM, Saturday, July 26 @ PUC.



## **July's Monthly Theme:** **LIBERAL THEOLOGY**

**Why do we have Monthly Themes?**  
[Touchstones Journal: July 2014 - Liberal Theology](#)

## **7/27: Are We a Liberal Religion or a Religion of Liberals?**

**Rev. John Morehouse**

Rev. John takes up this vital question in the auction sermon won by John Einhorn and Lora Childers. Rev. John's answer may surprise you.



## **3rd Sunday Hospitality** **Special Thanks to All of You who help!**

**Ushers:**

Brittany Montgomery

**Welcome Table:**

Betty Saunders & Lora Childers

**Greeters:**

Louise Allison & Bill Karg



## **Recurring Events**

**Sundays**

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

Half a Century Marrieds Group, 5th  
Sun, 12 PM, Fu Yuan Low

Restaurant - Next: **Sun, June 29**

Books in Our Lives Covenant  
Group, 1st & 3rd, 7 PM, L

**Mondays**

Fee: \$5 per session, \$20 for series

This lecture and discussion covers the various major views of what happens to us after we die, from existentialism, to reincarnation, to everlasting bliss. **Rev. John** will share his extensive knowledge of world religions as a basis for this exploration.

### Picnic "Dinner w/ UU's" on August 2!

Our next "Dinners w/ UU's" potlUUCK fiesta takes place in *Rachel & Alma Bruhnke's* own community garden at their San Pedro home at 6:30 PM, **Saturday, August 2.**



It'll good to be together. This is bound to be one of the highlights of the sUUmmer - not only to be together, but also to experience Rachel's glorious garden.

The event will be outdoors, so bring a jacket and wear "sensible" shoes. Kids/families are welcome!! If you'd like to join in on the fUUn, please RSVP to *Betty Saunders* [betty90502@earthlink.net](mailto:betty90502@earthlink.net) or sign up at the Welcome Table on Sunday!

### Want to Meet Other UUs - AND Help PUC?

Your Little Rocks Task Force is working hard to find ways to bring incremental income to the church. One idea is for individuals willing to host UU's in their home B&B style, or to rent out their home while on vacation to donate the rental fee to PUC. The UUA sponsors a website listing B&B homes by area and offers a highly discounted all-church listing.



**We want to see how much interest there is among our members in participating in this type of fundraiser** before we decide whether to move forward. **Please call or email Judy Shaffer by July 31st** if you are willing to rent bedroom(s) or your home and donate the income to PUC, or with your questions. Every little bit can help.



**Tuesday, July 29**  
**FUUndraiser Challenge**  
Elephant Bar Restaurant  
21227 Hawthorne Blvd  
Torrance, CA 90503  
Bring Flyer - PUC receives 20%

**LET'S DOUBLE THE AMOUNT WE RAISED @ CPK**

Thank you to everyone who ate at CPK for the 1st Little Rocks

Women's Reading & Responding  
Grp, 3rd, 11 AM, L

[Kundalini Yoga w/ Aimee](#),  
5 PM, H

Board of Trustees, 1st & 3rd,  
7 PM, L

Environmental Covenant Group,  
1st, 7:15 PM, L

#### Tuesdays

[Buddhist Meditation Grp](#), weekly,  
10 AM, V

#### Wednesdays

[Beginning Yoga](#) w/ Debi  
Robinson, weekly, 11 AM

#### Thursdays

Tai Chi (Beck), Thurs, 10 AM, H  
Seniors Pow Wow to Share How,  
3rd, 11 AM, L

PUC Choir Practice, On Summer  
Hiatus

[Environmental Priorities  
Network](#), 2nd, 7:30 PM, L

#### Saturdays

French Conversation Grp,  
2nd & 4th, 10 AM, V

restaurant fundraiser, especially to those who brought other friends and family! And we hoped everyone had fun helping PUC earn \$166.55.

Let's try to double that at the **next restaurant fUUndraiser: TUESDAY, JULY 29 at ELEPHANT BAR**. Lunch and dinner, non-alcoholic drinks contribute 20% back to PUC. Please bring a [Flyer](#) for each check for PUC to get credit.



**3rd Restaurant FUUn(d)raiser: 8/20 at Macaroni Grill**



### **THE SPIRITUAL BRAIN with Rev. John**

**4 WEDNESDAYS: AUG 6, 13, 20, 27**

12:30 - 1:30 PM in CLASSROOM 1

Fee: \$5 per session, \$20 for series

Learn how religion and science intersect. Neuroscience now understands a great deal about how the brain works during a variety of spiritual experiences. This lecture and discussion will provide up-to-date scientific information and guidance about how to live with our spiritual brain.

### **2 Yoga Classes for YoUU @ PUC:**



#### ***Gentle Yoga Class for All***

***Wednesdays, 11 AM -12:15 PM in the Hall***

*A Class designed for all levels, shapes, and ages.*

We will focus on a gentle practice through

movement:

- To help unblock your flow of energy
- Increase your mental and physical flexibility while releasing stress and enhancing body awareness
- Poses and exercises to build strength, relieve pain and stress, and improve balance

Suggested Donation: \$12/class. Taught by Debi Robinson, RYT 200

Contact Debi with any questions: [Debi@omhappy.com](mailto:Debi@omhappy.com)

### **Monday Yoga & Meditation Basics Class**

**Led by: Aimée Donahue, Yoga Instructor and Therapist**

*Get centered for Summer with a healthy practice for your mind, body, & spirit!*

Join us in the Hall on **Mondays from 5 - 6:30PM** for *Kundalini yoga*, a physical, mental, and spiritual discipline for developing strength, flexibility, consciousness, and character.

Join us as we move with relaxing music to calm the mind while keeping the body healthy and youthful. Tap into your body's innate inner healing power!

Regular Series (10 sessions) \$170 | Walk-In \$20 per session.

**[REGISTER HERE:](#)** Find out more at [www.yogawithaimee.com](http://www.yogawithaimee.com).



**Sunday Service: 10:30 AM**

Office Hours: Sunday: 9 AM - 3 PM, Mon. - Thurs: 10 AM - 4 PM

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[Click here for Directions](#)

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