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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



September 25, 2014

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi {FIRST_NAME|PUCer},

On and on you will hike.
And I know you'll hike far
and face up to your problems
whatever they are.

You'll get mixed up, of course,
as you already know.
You'll get mixed up
with many strange birds as you go.

So be sure when you step.
Step with care and great tact
and remember Life's
a Great Balancing Act.

Just never forget to be dexterous and deft.
And *never* mix up your right foot with your left.

Oh, the Places You'll Go!
by Dr. Seuss

September's Monthly Theme:

VISION

This Sunday

September 28

10:30 AM Service

Through the Gate of Struggle
Join us as Rev. John explores how
a righteous struggle can change
how we look at the world.

Rev. John Morehouse,
Lead Minister

October

10:30 AM Service

All Creatures Have a Place in
Creation:

Our Annual Animal Blessing
Service

Rev. John Morehouse,
Lead Minister

October's Monthly Theme:

COVENANT

Workshop ~ This Sunday

Communication in Times of Transition

Conducted by

Melissa Garcia & Lee Ann Hart,
your Harmonious Relations Team

Sunday September 28 at 12:00 PM, Henriksen Hall

Remember to Join us this Sunday to discuss growth and change at

PUC Calendar

PUC and explore ways to sharpen our communication skills.

We Believe In Social Justice

Split Plate

This Sunday our offoratory will be a split plate for CLUE and the striking Harbor Truckers Hunger Fund.

This fall PUC's Social Justice Ministry Explores

Food Justice

Come and participate in an activity, service project, or educational event. Most are great for families:

ACHIEVED: September 13

Seedling Planting at PUC's Permaculture Garden

NEXT UP: October 8

Cook and serve a meal for the after school program at Toberman House

All ages welcome. Meet at PUC at 4pm to caravan to Toberman. Contact Claire Moss if you want to help cook earlier in the day. cmoss84@gmail.com

November 16

Fasting Workshop, 12pm at PUC

We will be discussing the spiritual aspects of fasting, how to cope with hunger during a fast, and other topics. Led by Social Justice Ministry Chair, Naresh Deo.

December 18

One Voice LA

Sort and package food baskets. All ages welcome. Carpooling to Santa Monica will be arranged. 7:30pm-11pm.

Public Forum: Overturn Citizens United

This Saturday, SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

Environmental Priorities Network presents a public forum on how to stop the massive influx of money into our political system. Three outstanding speakers will address this important topic. They are Michael Tucker, a coordinator for Move to Amend, John Smith, a Southern California Common Cause organizer, and Alison Hartson, a California State Director of Wolf PAC.

Held at PUC, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM, enjoy light refreshments and

Our calendar is now available online. There is a link to the calendar on our PUC website home page. It can be accessed via the link below. The calendar and all links are updated real-time as modifications are made, so this will contain the most up to date information possible.

[Link to PUC Calendar](#)

For those that receive the View via US Postal Service, a full month calendar paper copy will be included with your weekly copy of the View. In addition, full month paper copies will be available in the office. These will be updated each week when the View is distributed.

Many thanks to Kim Gosney, PUC's Director of Congregational Advancement for all of the effort required to make this long overdue transition.

Joys and Concerns

It is with sadness that we report the passing of charter member **Johanna LYTLE** on Wednesday September 24th. Services are pending. Please keep the LYTLE family and John STANBERY her husband in your thoughts and hearts.

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Fred VIRRAZZI passed away Wednesday afternoon, September

drinks as you visit tables with information about local environmental groups. From 10:00 AM to noon, speaker discuss how best to restore finance limits and advance necessary environmental legislation. The South Coast Interfaith Council cosponsors this event. Admission is free, but contributions are welcome. For more information contact Lillian Light at lklight@verizon.net or at [310 - 545 1384](tel:310-545-1384).

MAKING PUC WORK FOR YOU

Campus Beautification ~ Planting Party October 11

If you have two hours and want to help beautify PUC, consider joining Bryan Masterson and the Green Sanctuary team 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Sat. Oct. 11 for a planting party.

Native drought-tolerant shrubs, trees and ground cover will be planted in the area between the classrooms and the wooden walkway in front of the church.

This is a focal point for visitors and we want to make sure this area looks inviting and reflects our congregation's commitment to being "green." Come roll up your sleeves and help beautify PUC!

For information, contact: Bryan at boone98713@aol.com.

Can You Smile and Say "Hello" "Good morning" "Nice to See You"?

If so you have what it takes to be a Sunday morning Greeter. You arrive about a half an hour before the service, stand with the name tags, and be the first friendly face everyone encounters as he or she comes to church. There are two greeters each Sunday so you have someone with whom to chat. This is the perfect first step if you are a new member looking to connect with our community. If you are interested please write to admin@pacificunitarian.com.

Feel Empowered and Confident

Come join women who like yourself are seeking a safe environment in which to be heard, understood and supported. Feel empowered and confident. Enhance your assertiveness skills. We meet the first and third Wednesday of the month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. If you have any questions contact Val Richards [424-772-1976](tel:424-772-1976) or E-mail valrichards424@hotmail.com. Hope to see you Wednesday in the Library.

17. He will always be remembered as caring, fun loving and generous. His memorial service will be this Sunday, September 28th at 2:00 in PUC's Henriksen Hall. For those who wish to send cards or letters Fred's home address is: 5525 Paseo De Pablo, Torrance, CA 90505. The family is requesting no flowers please. Those who wish may make a donation to the Yosemite Fund (1.800.469.7275 or online at Yosemiteconservancy.org) or the Salvation Army (1.800.725.2769 or online at donate.salvationarmyusa.org).



Come join friends in the PUC Library on Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 and help launch the Joys and Sorrows Circle. The Circle gives a compassionate space for sharing and listening. Organized by Sandy McNeil.



To have your Joy or Concern appear here you may complete one of the Joys and Concerns slips in the back of the Hall and place it in the box, or send it directly to newsletter@pacificunitarian.com. If you indicate it is your wish it will appear here the following week.

Sunday's flowers brought to you by
Darcy Carroll

Please sign up for your turn to
bring Sunday's Flowers on the
Flower Calendar inside the door of

WAYS WE WORSHIP

Blessing of the Animals Service

Sunday October 5 at 10:30 AM

All beloved, well behaved pets are welcome, or bring photos or a stuffed animal to represent your pet.

Sukkot

Wednesday, October , Evening

Celebrate the third High Holy DFay on the Jewish calendar! Service will be lead by Rabbi/Cantor Diddi and Reverend John. JOIN US!

Soulful Supper

Starts Wednesday, October 15, 2014

Arrive at 5 PM to prepare food and our space.

6:00 PM Meal/Worship

7:00 PM Clean-up

7:10 Breakout Groups - adult, youth, choral, and more!

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Wizard of Oz Sing-Along and Performance

Save the Date!

Thursday Evening, October 30th

LITTLE ROCKS TASK FORCE

Working hard to find ways to bring incremental income to the church.

PUC Rummage Sale

Friday & Saturday, October 24 and 25

This is a great opportunity to clean your house and garage before the year-end

holidays! Donate your gently used household items (furniture, home decor items, dishes,

glasses, jewelry, art, etc.)

In the past, our Rummage Sale has made over \$2,000 for PUC.

Contact Linda Jenson for details.

Look Who's Here!

the PUC Office.

Next Open Date: October 19

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Sunday, September 28th
Hospitality

Special thanks to all of our volunteers!

Greeters:
TBD

Ushers:
YRUUs

"Young Religious Unitarian
Universalists"

Welcome Table:
Melissa Garcia

Top Chef:
Andy Kissner

Welcoming Trustee:
Randy Ripley

Office Volunteer:
Lora Childers

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Introducing New Member: Penny Good



Penny Good first came to PUC more than 40 years ago as a young adult but it wasn't until last spring that she finally decided to become a member.

Now retired from a career as a nurse, Penny lives in the San Pedro home of her late mother, Peggy Good, who was a long-time PUC member.

Penny said she decided to join PUC because she wants to get more involved in the community. She is one of the "garden angels" in the permaculture garden and is an avid hiker and outdoorswoman.

She has practiced tai chi for more than 20 years and is now interested in gaining computer literacy and playing the piano.

She was a music major at Cal State Long Beach and later earned her RN degree from West LA College. A former resident of Venice and Santa Monica, Penny moved here to live with and care for her sister, who is mentally ill.

Born and raised in the South Bay, Penny was raised Episcopalian

and has also attended Methodist church before finding her faith home in Unitarian Universalism.

She said she loves to hear Rev. John's sermons and finds the volunteer and service opportunities at PUC to be just what she's looking for at this stage in her life.

Vivien Hao



**RELIGION AND THE
MEANING OF LIFE
NEW DATES**

3 WEDNESDAYS | OCT 1, 8, 15, 22

CLASSROOM 1 | 12:30 - 1:30 PM

Instructor: John Morehouse

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

Humans ascribe significance or purpose to many of our actions - and we often assume that other phenomena also have meaning. We will explore meaning making in our lives and postmodern America, where the need for meaning is as great as ever.



**Gentle Yoga Class for All
Wednesdays, 11:30 AM-12:30 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

Sunday Service: 10:30 AM
5621 Montemalaga Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

PUC office hours

Sunday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm (the office will be closed during
the service from 10:30-11:30)
Monday closed
Tuesday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Wednesday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Saturday closed

[Click here for Directions](#)

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