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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



May 23, 2013

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

May's Monthly Theme:
PEACE

This Sunday

May 26

9:15 PM 4th Sunday Forum
Sacred Economics: Money, Gift, and Community in an Age of Transition

Facilitated by **Rev. John**

10:30 AM Service

Living Complete

Rev. John Morehouse

On this Memorial Day Sunday, Rev. John explains why all life is unfinished and made immortal by what we leave for others to complete.

Memorial Wall Tile Dedication:

We will also remember our members who have tiles on the Memorial Wall who passed away in the past year. We will dedicate their new tiles in a brief ceremony starting **immediately after the Service** in the Meditation Garden.

Sunday's Split Plate Collection will contribute to the **Stroke Support Association**. 50% of Sunday's non-pledge collection will be donated "to assist stroke survivors

Hi,
 ...and THE VIEW from PUC is COMPLETELY LIVING -- with something new each week...Lots to read, lots to learn, and lots to love here @ PUC and here in THE VIEW... REEEEEAAADD AALLL ABOOUUUT IT!



Music Notes

From the Music Department:



This past Saturday, May 18, we hosted the annual PSWD Choir Festival. Along with the PUC Choir there were four other UU churches represented: Long Beach, Fullerton, Orange Coast, & Santa Barbara. We had a great time and made lots of new friends. We all sang my arrangement of "Let This Be a House of Peace" together as one choir. Jim Rugirello, the music director, from Long Beach and I are already scheming to combine our choirs for an event next season.

Remember that we are *always* looking for people to join our choir. You can join for one piece or the rest of your life.

Thanks, and Keep Singing,

—Severin

Dr. Severin Behnen, Music Director

Music@pacificunitarian.org

Religious Education Matters

Family Religious Education Ministry
MAY CALENDAR

5/26: Last Day of "Regular" Family Religious Ministry classes

All children/youth & teaching teams celebrate the end of our

Religious Education Matters

journey together and plan a group presentation for the multigenerational Worship Service: **Religious Education Sundaes Sunday** on June 2.

6/2: Religious Education Sundaes Sunday

We gather in community at our church to nurture our own spirits, to walk with others on the path, and to help heal our world. Come celebrate a year of spiritual growth and learning for all ages in this Multigenerational Service. And yes, there will be ice cream sundaes for all after the Service!

—Rev. Tamara

AssocMinister@pacificunitarian.org

3rd SUNDAY ADULT R.E. PROGRAMMING

* 9:15 AM: [Ethical Eating Study Group](#). Led by Diane Bassett - **NEW!**

* 12:15 PM: The New U: Introduction to Unitarian Universalism

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

—Kathy Rickey, Adult Religious Education

Swami Teaches at PUC Tonight -- Sat. & Sun. TOO!!

Tonight is the night! Swami Atmananda Udasin will be at PUC at 7:00 PM - come a little early to settle into the evening. Who will be here to represent PUC?

Don't be disappointed that you didn't get this missive in time to attend -- The Swami will be @ PUC again this Saturday, from 10 AM - 2 PM and on Sunday from 1:15 - 4:30 PM

This particular monk is from an Interreligious Monastery Ashram. Swami writes: "It is . . . perfectly natural that monks of every dharma should recognize each other as brothers across the frontiers of their respective dharmas...Despite all differences in observance, language, and cultural background, they perceive in each other's eyes that depth which the One Spirit has opened in their own hearts. They sense the bliss, the light, the ineffable peace which emanate" Read more... www.monasticdialog.com

Be Part of the Summer FUUn with PUC Family R.E.

June 9 - September 8

Share your talent with the kids at PUC this summer! Play hooky from the Service for one week and remember the summer vacations of youth!

We need volunteers who have a fun hobby, interesting knowledge, a unique job, or just a great fun-loving personality to spend some time with the youth ages 6 through high school.

Interested? Sign up now to lead an all-ages activity, topic of your choice, or offer your support as a teacher's assistant. If you're stuck, here are a few ideas to get your brain storming:

and family members in optimizing the quality of their lives and their health.

12:15 PM

The Context of Leadership Module.

Led by **Kathy Rickey**

The Week At a Glance

Thursday, May 23, 2013

8:30 AM Aerobics - H
10 AM Women's Circle - L
10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H
7 PM Swami Atmananda Udasin Teaching Session - H
7 PM Growth Plan Steering Committee - V
8 PM Environmental Coffee Clatch - Catalina Coffee Co. Redondo Bch

Saturday, May 25, 2013

9 AM Strategic Planning - O
10 AM Swami Atmananda Udasin Teaching Session - H
10 AM French Conversation Grp - V[2nd & 4th Saturdays]

Sunday, May 26, 2013

9:15 AM Forum-Sacred Economics: Money, Gift, and Community in an Age of Transition. Led by Rev. John - L
10:30 AM Sunday Services-H
11:45 AM Annual Memorial Wall Tile Dedication - MG
11:45 AM Youth Choir Rehearsal - CR2
12:15 PM PUC Leadership Academy - L
1:15 PM Swami Atmananda Udasin Teaching Session - H

Monday, May 27, 2013

Memorial Day - Office Closed

9:30 AM Tai Chi [Pekich] - H
5 PM [Kundalini Yoga Class](#) - H
Class Today
7 PM Men's Ministry -V

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

- photo day
- art workshop
- music
- science
- magic
- gardening
- safety and first aid
- food prep
- cooperative field day

*The RE Committee is here to support you on this fun adventure!
Thank you for your commitment to our children and the future of UU!*
Sign up now at the Family Religious Education table or email
AssocMinister@PacificUnitarian.org.

GREEN SANCTUARY NEWS:

Historic Walking Tour of Downtown Los Angeles

Join us on **Saturday, June 2**, 10 AM – 3 PM, for a Walking Tour of Historic Downtown, as the area around Pershing Square is known, in the heart of downtown L.A.; Tour will include Central Library, Angels Flight, the Bradbury Building, etc. We need 8 people to reserve a docent. [Purchase your ticket online](#) ahead of time. Cost \$10. Following the tour we will lunch at super trendy, warehouse style restaurant, *Bottega Louie* (under \$10).

This outing will require 2 1/2 hours of walking, although, we will be walking slowly with frequent stops. Older children are welcome. I will be able to drive 6 people from PUC to the Acacia Metro Blue line station. We will get off at 7th St and walk to Pershing Square. Those who wish to drive will have to pay for parking. Call or email [Dorian Tippet](#) with your questions. Sponsored by the [PUC Green Sanctuary Project](#) and Transition LA.

If You're Concerned About Fracking...

[Californians Against Fracking](#) Demonstration **Thursday, May 30**, 11:30 AM in Downtown L.A. Contact [Dorian Tippet](#) to carpool.

—Dorian Tippet

Make a Difference Against Global Warming!

Be a Part of California Lobby Day with UU Legislative Ministry-CA on June 19 - Travel Assistance Available

Would you like to make a difference in the fight against global warming in a way that few people ever do? [Then join us on June 19 for our California Lobby Day.](#)

PUC Members Ollie Coker & Lillian Light will pay for a PUCer's travel to Sacramento to lobby for clean energy legislation. Contact Ollie or Lillian if you're interested!!

Temple Emet Invites You to a Kabbalah Class Taught by Rabbi Cantor Didi Thomas

Explore the Kabbalistic Secrets hidden in the Hebrew Alef-Bet. This 9-week course begins **Wednesday, June 19** from 6-7 PM

The Week At a Glance

8:30 AM Aerobics - H
7 PM Program Council – L

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

11 AM Staff Mtg - L
3:30 PM Worship Team - V
4:30 PM SoUUlful SUUndown
Planning Meeting - V
6:30 PM Choir Practice – H

Thursday, May 30, 2013

8:30 AM Aerobics - H
10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - H
6:30 PM A/V Vision Team Mtg - H
7 PM Growth Plan Steering
Committee – V

Friday, May 31, 2013

2 PM "[Be the Match](#)" [Bone Marrow Drive](#) - H
6 PM Suzuki Sukiyaki Supper - L
[T&S]



6/8 Special (Daytime) Dinners for UU's

Free Lunch & Tour for "Those of a Certain Age" at:
Harbor Terraces

[435 W. 8th Street, San Pedro](#)

12:00 noon, **Saturday, June 8**

There is no charge for the lunch but reservations are required.

Open House – Meet & Greet
Residences of Harbor Terraces
about 2 PM.

Any questions & reservations call
Betty Saunders: (310) 324-6333 or
Betty90502@Earthlink.net.

Flowers for the Church

*Sundays Flowers are "to celebrate my sunny special son, **Craig Block's**, 53rd birthday. It seems like only yesterday..."*

—Joyce Block-Miller

Temple Members \$54 (\$6/class)
 PUC Members: \$72 (\$8/class)
 Drop in: \$10/session

JAZZ CONCERT Benefitting the Long Beach Stroke Support Association

Featuring: Alvin Hayes, Jr. and his Quintet

2 - 4 PM, SATURDAY, JUNE 8

Unitarian Universalist Church of Long Beach

[5450 E. Atherton St., Long Beach](#) (East of of Bellflower and Atherton)

Listen to his music on his website: www.alvinhayesjr.com.

Stroke Support Association provides support, education, and resources to stroke survivors, their families, and the community.

Weekly support groups facilitated by trained professionals provide a safe place to find understanding, friendship, and the knowledge that there is life after stroke.

For more information, visit www.strokesupportassoc.org.

Tickets in advance: \$20 General / \$15 Youth (13-18)

Order online: or call (562) 537-0556 to order by phone. \$25 at the door if available.

—Joyce Block-Miller

Recurring Events

Sundays

YRUU High School Group. 10:30 AM, L

Half a Century Marrieds Group, 5th Sun., 12 noon, Fu Yuan Low Restaurant - Next Date: **Sunday, July 30**

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

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

Mondays

Tai Chi (Pekich), Mondays, 10 AM, H

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

[Kundalini Yoga w/ Aimee](#) - All are welcome, Mon., 5 PM, H

Men's Ministry, Mon., 7 PM, V

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

Wednesdays

Choir Practice: Wed., 6:30 PM, H

Thursdays

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 Network Mtg, 1st Thurs., 7:30 PM, L

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

Catalina Coffee Co.

Fridays

GBLTQ Movie, 2nd Fri., 7 PM, L

Saturdays

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

Next open dates:

Sept. 15, 22, 29



PASTORAL CARE NEWS:

If you are in need of Pastoral Care, please contact **Reverend John**.
pastoralcare@pacificunitarian.org
 or the [PUC Office](#).

A UU Said That?

"You may possess only a small light, but uncover it, let it shine, use it in order to bring more light and understanding to the hearts and minds of men and women. Give them not Hell, but hope and courage. Do not push them deeper into their theological despair, but preach the kindness and everlasting love of God.

—[John Murray](#),

A Founder of American Universalism

[Click Here for Videos Related to Unitarian Universalism](#)

Upcoming Services:

June's Monthly Theme:

WISDOM

6/2: Religious Education Sundaes Sunday

Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki

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6/9: Interfaith Sunday: Islam and Buddhism

Milia Islam Majeed

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

Fourth Sunday Hospitality

Special Thanks to All of YOU who help!!

TOP CHEFS Andy Kissner & Margo Meikle LOVE serving our most excellent Lunch Bunch at Pacific Unitarian Church.

Thank you to Sous Chefs Gilana Goff, Kim Gosney, Chelsea Sites, & Barry Meikle.

Vivien Hao has sent in an exciting menu for this Memorial Day Sunday! We hope to see you all here.

Thank you for your support throughout this past year. We will experience a respite over the summer & hope to continue in September for the 2013-2014 Church year. Upward & onward. Cheerios

CHEFS Wanted: SIGN-UP on the CANVAS on the Kitchen door!!

Or, you can contact:

Mega Top Chef:

[Francis Morehouse; 310 291 3399](#)

Ushers:

Scott Garrabrant & Joanna Hannff

Welcome Table:

Virginia McCulloch/Ramos & Marian Jones

Greeters:

Jean McDaniel & Shuja Oberoi

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Sunday Service @ 10:30 AM

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Milia Islam Majeed, the Executive Director of the South Coast Interfaith Council will be leading an exploration of two different faith traditions. If you are not going to our retreat in the mountains, join us.

**6/16: Lessons from My Father
Rev. John Morehouse**

Rev. John will share his father's wisdom and challenging questions for the future.

**6/23: Virtues of Necessity
Rev. John Morehouse**

Rev, John will highlight the virtues necessary for cultivating wisdom. Our Annual Meeting will follow the Service.

**6/30: The Challenge of
Posterity**

Rev. John Morehouse

How do we learn from the wisdom of those who have gone before?

What lessons can we leave for those we love? In this service Rev. John will tackle these questions. This will be Justice Sunday, as we celebrate the work of our UU Service Committee.

