



THE *Mountain* CHALICE

Newsletter of the
Unitarian Universalist
Community of the Mountains
Grass Valley, CA

September 2012

We are a GLBT-Welcoming Congregation



Sept. 2, 11:00 am -- “Moments of Grace, a Tapestry of Faith,” Gail Johnson Vaughan

The experience of Grace blesses us in many ways. Today three of our UUCM community members will share moments of grace they have experienced. You will also be given the chance to reflect on how Grace touches you. *Worship Associate: Gail Johnson Vaughan*

Please remember to bring your donations of nonperishable food for Interfaith Food Ministry, and remember the animals, too.

Sept. 9, 11:00 am -- “Intergenerational Water Communion,” Lindsay Duncel

To commemorate our coming back together for the next fiscal year we will participate in our annual Water Communion ritual. *Worship Associates: Matt Wilson-Daley and Rochelle Davisson*

Sept. 16, 11:00 am – “Animal Blessing”

In the tradition of St. Francis we will honor the animals that share our lives. Bring your well-behaved pets to be blessed at this intergenerational, interspecies worship service. Pictures of shy pets and special stuffed animals are also welcome. We will also be honoring the memory of animals that have died in the last year. Kim Sturla from Animal Place will introduce Pass the Plate. *Worship Associates: Matt Wilson-Daley and Jerry Jacoby, with the assistance of Carol Hyndman.*

Sept. 23, 11:00am -- “Middles, Endings, Beginnings: The Continuous Cycle,” Revs Wendy Bartel and Lynn Gardner.

At any given moment we are in the middle of something or finishing or beginning anew. Sometimes we are occupying all three stations at once. Each moment, each choice we make, each person we meet is an opportunity to live into our best selves. At this time of sabbatical and renewal, who are you called to become? Let us mark this moment in our lives together as we embark on this journey of shared ministry and shared becoming. *Worship Associate: Bev Lyon.*

Sept. 30, 11:00am – “The Power of Forgiveness,” - Rev. Lynn Gardner

When we tell the same story of hurt again and again, we re-inflict the initial pain and continue the suffering. What would it mean to see forgiveness as a powerful choice to end suffering? How might a practice of forgiveness allow us to live more fully? The choir will sing. *Worship Associate: Rochelle Davisson*





VISIONS OF RENEWAL

REV.
MEGHAN

Dear Friends,

I'll not be posting anything in the Mountain Chalice while I am on leave. I'll be taking a photo every day or two and posting them on a Tumblr page on the Internet. You will be able to see my photoblog there:

<http://meghaninthemiddle.tumblr.com/>

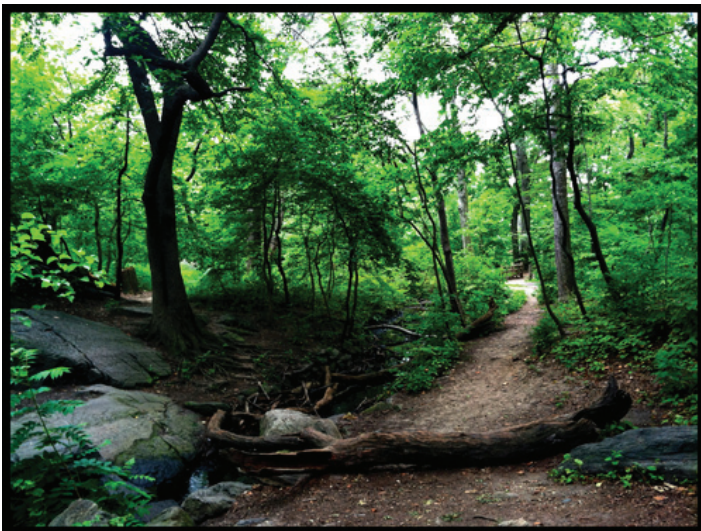
I thought this would be a nice way both for me to chronicle my adventures, but also for you to see a little of what I'm seeing while we are apart. Just type the address directly into the address bar of your browser.

Blessings and Love,

Meghan



I love the days when i just wander around different neighborhoods. The other day I was exploring TiBeCa and discovered a park along the Hudson with this view of New Jersey.



It's not quite Nevada County, but parts of Central Park remind me of walking along the ditch trail.



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

KEITH
JOHNSON



due to more pressing concerns. If anyone has a passion for policy development and a desire to help with this project, please see any Board member.

The Board will also consider its role in the strategic planning process. Already the Board has made a conscious effort during Board meetings to devote more time to exploring big issues instead of administrative detail. At the Retreat we will consider how the Board can help UUCM focus on its mission to change the lives of others.

The Board of Trustees will hold its annual Board Retreat on September 8 at the home of Beth and Mike Freedman. The Retreat is an opportunity for the Board to work together on goals and objectives for the next church year and to just relax and have fun in an informal setting.

Other goals and objectives for next year will become clear from the ideas presented at the Retreat. Your thoughts on these important issues will be greatly appreciated.

A tentative agenda for the Retreat has been drafted. One issue to be addressed is what we call “succession,” which refers to the future make up of the Board. While the selection of Board members is the responsibility of the Nominating Committee and ultimately the congregation, it is never too early to start the process.

Peace,
Keith

This Board is somewhat unusual in that both the President and the Vice-President will complete their second one-year term and are therefore “termed out” of their respective positions. In addition, the Secretary and two At-Large members will complete their initial term of office as of 6/30/13. While a second consecutive term is authorized under UUCM By-Laws, traditionally Board members often move “up or out” after the completion of one term. The bottom line is the 2013/14 Board may look quite different from this year’s Board. How can the current Board help the congregation prepare for this transition?

A second proposed topic for the Board Retreat is the development of a comprehensive Board policy manual. Frankly, this has been an elusive goal for at least the past five years. This task has proved difficult because it is labor intensive, requires a high degree of group collaboration, and has often been put on the back burner



ANNUAL POSTAL WORKERS FOOD DRIVE

Pat Paddock

Interfaith Food Ministry's annual Postal Workers Food Drive for non-perishable food items is on Tuesday, September 11, 2012. Please leave non-perishable items alongside your letter box and the carrier will pick them up. If you do not have a mailperson and use a post office box instead, you may take your donations directly to the post office. If you would like to volunteer to help sort the food (and we need volunteers) on Tuesday afternoon after 2:00 pm or on Wednesday morning, please call Pat Paddock at 268-6576. Thanks for your continued support of Interfaith Food Ministry. We depend on you.

CARING NOTES

Robin Hart



September is the time for a change in seasons. The long hot summer leads off to a brilliant Fall. Students go back to their classes and new beginnings. The days grow shorter and we reach a golden time up here in our beautiful Sierra. Take some time to share the bounty of our blessings with our community.

Please join with me in lighting candles of concern and sending healing energy to those many in our community who need special prayers and wishes at this time :

- Please light a candle for Diana and Leo Weilmann. Diana is recovering from surgery and is recuperating at Golden Empire convalescent hospital and could use your support and prayers.
- Please light a candle for Allan Duncan. He is being treated for a serious illness and could use your thoughts, prayers and support.
- Please send healing thoughts to Paige Torgrimson. She is recovering from a foot injury.
- Please continue to send healing wishes to Dawn Bateman as she recovers from her foot surgery.
- Please light a candle for Leo Winters. He is in assisted living at Quail Ridge and would love calls and visits.
- Please continue to keep Ernie Jackson and his family in your thoughts and prayers. His daughter and great-granddaughter are still being treated for serious illnesses and he could use your thoughts, cards, prayers and support to help his family get through this difficult time.
- Please continue to light candles and send healing prayers, thoughts, cards and letters to Bob Tallmon in Modesto at the home of his partner Joan Fisher.

Also light a candle of concern and keep a special place in your hearts for: Karl Brueckner, Janet Lee, Jim Lane, and Jerry Lawrence and for all those others in our UUCM community who are not named but who need prayer and healing energy at this time.

If you need to bring something to the attention of the Caring Committee, please contact one of our members: Robin Hart (Committee Chair), Corrie Silva, Leal Portis, Gwen Eymann, Alice Johnson, Sandi Lauher, Jerry Jacoby, May Lawrence, Carol Hyndman, Carol Kuzora, Bernell Scott or e-mail us at caringcommittee@uugrassvalley.org

UUCM WOMENS GROUP

by Clarita Nolan

Women's Group will meet at the chapel on Thursday, Sept 20 (6:00 pm). We've needed to juggle the topic from one month to another and due to this confusion we will get back to you about the topic for the meeting. Thank you for your patience.

Whether or not you've attended UU's Women's group, your presence is most appreciated. New faces are always welcome. It will be a potluck so bring your favorite dish.

BREAKING NEWS

Paige Anderson-Torggrimson, DRE

Expect lots of exciting changes. That's right. RE classes will resume on September 23rd with a kick-off brunch following the service. This is your opportunity to meet our teachers and RE Committee members, ask questions, and find out what exciting changes we have in store for you. Here's a sneak peak:



Stories for All Ages –

Beginning September 23, children and teens will go straight back to their classes at 11:00 am. Don't worry. They will still be able to enjoy and take part in the children's time story during the service every 2nd

Sunday of the month. They will be creating their own interactive storytimes where they can choose to be a participant or part of the audience. Look for music, drama, chanting, and some really wonderful stories for everyone to enjoy.

Nursery Tales-

This new program connects the senior storytellers in our congregation with the infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in our nursery. For the first 10 minutes of the service, Nursery Tale Tellers will read a story to children in the nursery. Stories will be chosen from the "We Are Many, We Are One" curriculum. If you are interested in being a Nursery Tale Teller, contact Jerry Jacoby.



Soul Explorers-

The Soul Explorers, our new 9-12 year old group, will be learning about social action this year with a focus on hunger, animal justice, and ecology. Working with the Social Justice and Green Sanctuary Committees, our Soul Explorers will not only learn what social action is but how everyone can make a difference.

As one of their Social Action projects, the Soul Explorers will be entering the Northern Sierra Foothills Altar Show (October 27 – November 4) with a three-dimensional artwork created to illustrate how they see the issue of hunger in Nevada County and what people are doing to make a difference.

On November 17th from 6:00-9:00 pm, the Soul Explorers and the Social Justice Committee will launch the Guests At Our Table program with a Hunger Banquet that allows participants to experience firsthand how unfairly food is distributed in our world. The teen group will co-host Social Justice Jeopardy at this event. Join us and test your knowledge of social justice facts. [Disclaimer: No participants will actually experience starvation in the making of this program.]

Future projects for the Soul Explorers will include volunteering with Animal Place farm sanctuary and working with the Green Sanctuary Committee to create a Zero Waste Challenge for the congregation.

For more information about RE programs and activities, contact Paige Anderson-Torgimson at dre@uugrassvalley.org



GREAT TURNOUT FOR THE UUCM BLOOD DRIVE

George Dunstan

After a wonderful response to our effort at the congregation picnic where 21 people signed up for the blood drive, Bloodsource was able to make appointments for 13 of us to donate at the Grass Valley center during the first part of August. Our donations will help many people dealing with natural disasters, unforeseen catastrophes, emergency hospital procedures and life-long battles with chronic disease.

During the two weeks of the blood drive a banner was displayed at Bloodsource welcoming UUCM participants and letting the greater community know of our active participation. Thanks to everyone who was able to take part and when we do this again in the near future hopefully we will be able to include some of our community who were not able to join in this time.

STEWARDSHIP

By Ruth Ghio

During the past year I learned a lot about fundraising. As we raise funds it seems important to remember we are not in the business of fund raising. We raise funds to support mission, love and all the business of love. That being said it is easy to make fundraising the focus rather than an opportunity to practice the business of love.

This article is focused on the nitty-gritty business of raising funds. This is what I learned. We actually do two kinds of fundraising events, those that are just for UUCM and those that are open to the general public.

Both kinds of events need to have a lead time of at least two months to do an adequate job of publicity and organizing the event. The events planned just for the UUCM Community do not necessarily require announcements on the radio or in the newspaper. It does require attractive email announcements regularly for the two months prior to the event. It is also helpful if the event is announced every Sunday and is announced in The Mountain Chalice. I think it may be useful to have committee members contact members of the congregation to talk to them about the event. I also think it helps to know who is working on the event. A couple of times during the 2 month period the committee could be introduced at a Sunday Service and acknowledged. Since these events serve not only as fundraisers, but also as community building opportunities, it is important to incorporate activities that do help build community. I have also learned that people who may want to participate and help are sometimes shy about volunteering. I think it might be a good idea if a few of the people who are working on

the event contact people to help in some special ways. For more information refer to the Fundraising Guide adopted by the Board this year.

We have had many wonderful events that were for the UUCM community only and did build community. Among them are the silent auctions and the dinners. This year I have heard of the possibility of a pumpkin-carving contest, a holiday bazaar, and mystery dinner, among many more.

The ones planned for the general public requires more contact with the newspaper, and the radio stations. We might begin to reach out to the local TV station for publicity support. It is a good idea to have some posters and cards made to place around town. It is important to ask permission and to chat with the contact person in each business where you place posters and cards.

The newspapers and the radio stations all need to be contacted, and an announcement planned for their respective calendars. Articles and interviews are hard to arrange unless someone has contacts with the person who does the articles for the Prospector and for the religion section. This is equally true for the radio stations. Sometimes I have thought having one person who would take on this job, and had time to do it would be very useful. It is easier to deal with the same person from an organization than a different person every time. It is part of building our relationship with the larger community.

Next, everyone in the congregation who has an email needs to send out a flyer or some kind of announcement to everyone on their email list at least once and three times would be better. It might be a good idea to ask people to call 5 to 10 of their friends and acquaintances and tell them about the fundraiser. I was not aware or prepared for the impact of using Facebook. I believe we need our own Facebook page, and I understand it would be quite labor intensive. I have been very reluctant to become familiar with Facebook and the other social network sites, but am beginning slowly to recognize that it would be most useful to do so.

I hope this information will be of use as we begin the year and begin the planning of fundraisers. In our planning, the spacing of fundraisers becomes quite important. We need to have a way at public fundraisers to inform those attending a little about who we are and what is important to the UUCM community. The audience has a right to know what their money is supporting. Most important is that fundraising is the responsibility of the entire congregation not just the Stewardship Committee. Acknowledging and saying thank you to everyone involved is important. Somehow I let that slip through the cracks with the fundraisers I had organized. On the surface no one may have noticed. More important is that just because no one noticed does not mean it did not have an impact. Sometimes the impact is way below the conscious level.

BANANA CAROB “PUP-SICLES”

By Carol Hyndman

I thought it was time for another recipe for your dog.

1 16 oz bag nondairy carob chips

1 cup roasted unsalted peanuts

4-5 ripe bananas

Cut bananas crosswise into quarters and freeze on parchment paper overnight. In a double boiler, melt carob chips until smooth. Drop bananas one piece at a time into melted carob, coating thoroughly. Remove with fork or slotted spoon and place on a shallow dish with peanuts. Roll “pupsicles” to coat and remove to parchment paper to harden. If the carob shell doesn’t set well you can place them in the freezer for a quick chill. These can be stored for up to 6 month in the freezer.

Do not use regular chocolate chips, as chocolate can be very harmful to pets.

It is easy to hate and it is difficult to love. This is how the whole scheme of things works. All good things are difficult to achieve, and bad things are very easy to get. --Confucius

ARE YOU CONSIDERING BECOMING A MEMBER OF UUCM?

Andy Dooley-Miller

We invite you to come to an informational gathering and luncheon on Sunday, October 21 from 12:30pm to 2pm at UUCM. It will be a time to meet others who are interested in membership at UUCM. We will be sharing what membership at UUCM could mean for you.

Then on Saturday, October 27, we will have a Membership Retreat for those of you interested in becoming members. This will be from 9:30am to 2 pm at the home of one of our members, Theresa Houtman. The retreat is a wonderful time to learn and share our own spiritual journeys. At the retreat you will have an opportunity to learn more in depth what membership at UUCM is all about.

The New Members Ceremony will be on Sunday, November 4 at the Sunday service when you be formally welcomed to the community.

If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact

Andy or Shannon Dooley- Miller at 346-6995

RE will be selling home-made doggie biscuits and cat nip satchels before and after the Animal Blessing service on September 16th. Please stop by and pick up a treat for your beloved pet. For more information, contact Paige at dre@uugrassvalley.org.



NEW ADULT ED CLASS: REINCARNATION *and* ETHICS

Jerry Jacoby

Where do we come from? What happens when we die? These are two of the big questions in life. This course will answer these questions, bearing in mind that answers to questions like these lead to half a dozen deeper questions. But we will take it at least one level deeper.

What is our soul? We will develop an operational definition that will be useful for us here in this life.

The textbook will be Journey of Souls, 5th Edition, by Michael Newton. The two supplementary texts are Same Soul, Many Bodies, by Brian L. Weiss, and Other Lives, Other Selves, by Roger J. Woolger.

Another big question is why we are here, in this life, in this time? The generic answer seems to be to learn lessons, such as anger management, compassion, and empathy. The primary focus of this course will be ethics—right behavior—which brings up the subject of values. The many case studies will be a vehicle for developing a principled approach to living that reflects these values.

The course will begin Wednesday, September 12 at 7 pm in the Alcott Room and continue every Wednesday for 14 weeks through December 12. There is no charge for the course, but students are expected to get their own copy of the text, so they can highlight key concepts and make notes in the margins. There is no registration either—get the text, read the Introduction, and show up. It is suggested that you be early, because classes will start promptly at 7:00 pm.

A course outline is available from Jerry Jacoby at jacobyjj@pacbell.net.



MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC



By Annie Haymaker

Choir News

In September our rehearsals will be the first three Mondays, Sept 3, 10 and 17, from 7-8:30 pm, and we sing for the service on Sunday, Sept 30. If you enjoy singing in harmony, come and try us out – you're welcome to join us for Monday rehearsals without any requirement to sing on Sundays. For more information, call Annie at 477-0701.

DRUM CIRCLE @ UUCM



Drum Circle for the month of September will be on Wednesdays the 5th and 19th. The theme is hand drumming in the African tradition~ We will begin with some hand drumming basics, and will learn and practice some traditional African rhythms. An open jam will follow. This gathering is fun for all ages, and no experience is necessary. Some drums will be available for use. The Drum Circle at UUCM will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the UUCM Chapel, 7:00 to 8:30pm. For more information contact David Ferrier 559-5902 (DavidsDrums@gmail.com.)

UUCM COFFEEHOUSE

Saturday, Sept 15, 7pm

Come on down for a special night of goodies and music at this UUCM benefit on Saturday night, September 15, with UUCM's own Tom Wernigg and Randy McKean with special guest Luke Wilson. Admission is \$10, and doors open at 7 pm, with coffee, wine, and goodies available. The concert begins at 8 pm.

Starting things off will be accomplished singer/songwriter and guitarist, Tom Wernigg, who wowed us all with his first CD "Already Home," joined by local singer Jan Jablecki. Tom's subjects range from aliens to alienation, in a style that goes from humorous to deeply personal. He'll be giving us a sneak preview of his second disc. Appropriately enough, Randy met Luke at a UUCM benefit concert in May 2004, Randy playing saxophone with then-Minister Julie Kain, and Luke playing banjo with Utah Phillips. They're now bandmates in local favorite Beaucoup Chapeaux, but this is their first appearance as a duo. With Luke on banjos, vocals and dobro, and Randy playing his gamut of woodwinds, from bass clarinet to tenor sax to piccolo, expect smoking bluegrass originals, acoustic blues, mournful mountain songs, and eclectic jazz tunes. There'll be special guests and perhaps a collaboration or two.

HOSPITALITY HOUSE DINNERS

By Leal Portis

Fortunately September only has the 21st that UUCM is responsible for HH dinner and breakfast. Either Suzanne or Leal will be in charge. We are very appreciative of UUCMers who have continued with their with help all summer. The weather would have made it very hard on the elderly and disabled to have had to camp out. Work is progressing on Utah's Place. Some HH folks have been able to get jobs and are now working on being able to get permanent housing. They are grateful for our help.

CO-HOUSING NEWS – WOLF CREEK LODGE

Since 2006 an evolving group of seniors has been planning a senior cohousing community. They negotiated finance, acquired land and are close to completing 30 homes in Grass Valley on the corner of McKnight Way and Freeman Lane. They expect to move into Wolf Creek Lodge next month -- September. Included in the group are six Unitarian Universalists who may well become members of UUCM.

Here is a picture of the east wing, the petanque court and the trees overlooking Wolf Creek.

Senior cohousing is a special way to live. It emphasizes



community. A vibrant community is key ingredient of a healthy senior lifestyle. The members of Wolf Creek Lodge own and manage their Lodge and its surroundings.

Many features of the architecture are designed to facilitate community. There will be a common patio, gathering nodes around the building and on the balconies and extensive landscaping. Despite this community emphasis each home is complete including a kitchen. Members talk about “privacy in the home with community on the doorstep.”

This is a very planet-friendly way to live. The building has solar thermal panels and exceptional insulation. Many of the members are downsizing from large homes on significant acreage. By sharing they reduce their

carbon footprint. They plan to eat together five times a week in the common dining room. They will take turns cooking in teams in the common kitchen. Other common areas include the laundry, two guest rooms, living room, office, workshop and a suite potentially for occupancy by a caregiver.

You are invited to attend the “Grand Opening” on Saturday October 6. Introduce yourself as a UU to receive a VIP welcome. Find out more at www.wolfcreeklodge.org.

UU ANIMAL NEWS

By Carol Hyndman

On Sept 22, Animal Place, the farm animal sanctuary will be hosting “Music in the Meadows”. It should be a fun day for all. The hours will be from 11 am until 5 pm. There will be music and vegan food. It will provide a good chance to see the rescued animals. Animal Place is located at 17314 McCourtney Rd, Phone 477-1757. Call Carol Hyndman for more info. 477-0693

“The average dog is nicer than the average person.”
Andy Rooney

SOCIAL ACTION NOTES

By Sheila Myers

Pass the Plate

The Pass the Plate recipient for July was the Interfaith Food Ministry, collecting approximately \$535.00 from our generous congregation! I will update you on the total for the August recipient, Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministries, next month.

This month at our annual Animal Blessing tradition, we will be donating the plate to Animal Place. Animal Place is a farm rescue/sanctuary for abused and/or abandoned farm animals, located on 600 acres at 17314 McCourtney Road. This group helps place these unwanted animals with folks who will care for them. If you would like more info about Animal Place, check out the website: www.animalplace.org. They also have

a volunteer program. In fact, you may even recognize the one pictured here who is painstakingly weeding and clipping runners in the organic strawberry patch.



KIVA

If you noticed that no KIVA selections have been published, it is because the Social Action Committee hasn't made them yet. The RE teens have volunteered to make the selections this month, so expect an update in October's newsletter to see what they chose!

UUCM Blood Drive

Many thanks to George Dunstan for organizing our first UUCM blood drive. And extra thanks to those who donated. Please see more on this elsewhere in the newsletter as well as photos!

Sharing the Bounty

There are wooden boxes under the Fair Trade table to put your extra produce in for others enjoy so if they are not on the table when you come in with something, please feel free to set a box out.

Gold Country Vegan Meet up

The Gold Country Vegan Meet up/potluck group is cancelling all of the scheduled second Sunday dinners while they reorganize. We look forward to the continuation of these events when they have regrouped.

UUCM Vegan Supper Club

Everyone is invited to these potluck dinners held at

UUCM on the last Saturday of each month, 6:30 pm. This month it will be held on Saturday the 29th. Please join us. The evening's entertainment will be provided by your very own musical instruments and voices, so please bring them. Don't be shy!

Green Sanctuary -- First Sunday of the Month Film "Exposing the Truth"

This eye-opening 25 minute film by the Native Forestry Council contrasts the misconceptions versus the realities regarding the commercial use of our public forests. It clarifies why logging and other extraction on public lands must be stopped. The startling information in this film is not widely known. Join us after the service on September 2 from 12:35 to 1:00 pm to learn more about the destruction of our collective legacy

Second Sunday Film Series – Sunday 9/16, 7pm at UUCM

Suggested donation: \$5 - \$10, no one turned away.

WHERE CAN AMERICANS HEAR THE TRUTH?
With the elections coming in November how are Americans supposed to learn the truth about the candidates and their policies when media is no longer required to state the truth! Thanks to FOX news getting a court ruling that news does not have to be true, is it any wonder that Americans remain among the most ignorant and uninformed populations in the world? In fact, American stations hardly cover what constitutes real news at all. We hear only what promotes the interests and agendas of the 10 corporate conglomerates which own ALL the radio and TV networks in the country. Conservative viewpoints account for 90% of content across the nation with immunity thanks to Ronald Reagan who de-regulated the FCC years ago. Now sensationalism and hate radio rule. You will learn about broadcasting issues and more from "Broadcast Blues" a film by Emmy award-winning producer Sue Wilson who traveled across the US to expose broadcasting abuses and instructs on how we can reclaim the public airwaves. Facilitated discussion to follow. Refreshments will be available. All proceeds shared with the social action committee of the Unitarian Universalists Community of the Mountains

(UUCM) and the Peace Center, whose mission is bringing information to the public and raising consciousness in the community on both world events and social issues. Contact Information: Peace Center of Nevada County 530-265-0200 or website ncpeace.org

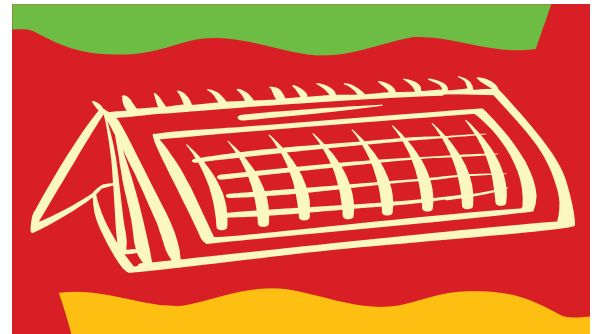


GREEN POWER POINT

By Anita Wald-Tuttle

This is absolutely the most exciting announcement that Green Sanctuary could ever proclaim.

On August 2 California Democratic Congressman Bob Filner introduced HR 6275 into the House as the Clean Energy Victory Bond Act of 2012! He and 10 co-sponsors have been working on this for quite some time. Modeled after the World War II Victory Bonds that helped finance the war effort, these clean energy bonds starting with denominations as low as \$25 would help create 1.7 million new jobs in alternative energy to reduce our use of fossil fuels. The latest scientific reports name fossil fuels (oil, gas, coal and nuclear) as “the enemy” in our efforts to combat global warming. If we don’t reduce carbon emissions significantly, land masses and people in large numbers will be the victims much sooner than was originally projected. Urge any Representatives you know even slightly to help pass this job-creating, renewable-energy-boosting bill. For more in- depth information visit 350.org or cleanenergyvictorybonds.org. This is something in which we all can get involved.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Committee Fair will take place
Sunday, October 7th
immediately after the service.

Each Committee will set up a table in the sanctuary with literature about their Committee and Committee members will be there to answer any questions you might have.

Get involved!

Sign up sheets will be available for you to join the Committee(s) of your choice. And don't forget to sample the tasty treats at each table.

70's / 80's / 90's Dance

at the
UUCM 'Dance Club'

246 S. Church St. (corner of Walsh) Grass Valley
Fundraiser for Unitarian Universalist Community of the Mountains

Saturday, September 8th

7:00pm to 10:30pm

Cover charge \$10

Beer, wine, sodas
for sale

Costumes
optional



To purchase tickets please contact Donna Foddrell at 274-2309 or Clarita Nolan at 639-2663

SEPTEMBER 2012

CALENDAR

Sa 9/1	10am, Spiritual Book Group		9am, David's Chalice Group
Su 9/2	12:30pm, Green Sanctuary Film	W 9/19	10am, Susan B Chalice Circle
M 9/3	LABOR DAY		1pm, Grandmothers for Peace
	7pm, Choir Practice		6pm, PFLAG
Tu 9/4	9am, Morning Meditation		8:30am, Men's Get-Together
	9am, David's Chalice Group	Th 9/20	2:30pm, Staff Meeting
	10am, Susan B Chalice Circle		7pm, Drum Circle
W 9/5	8:30am, Men's Get-Together		7pm, Reincarnation class
	7pm, Drum Circle	F 9/21	8:30am, What's Up Coffee
Th 9/6	8:30am, What's Up Coffee	Sa 9/22	6pm, Women's Study Circle
	10am, Writers' Group		6pm, DBSA Nevada County
	DBSA, Nevada County	Su 9/23	5:30pm, Hospitality House
F 9/7	5pm, B&G Work Party	Tu 9/25	9am, B&G Work Party
Sa 9/8	UU Board Retreat		1pm, B&G Meeting
	7pm, 80's Dance Bash		12:30pm, RE Kick-off Lunch
Su 9/9	12:15pm Second Sunday Cinema	W 9/26	9am, Morning Meditation
	12:45pm, Immigration as a Moral Issue		6pm, PFLAG
M 9/10	7pm, Choir practice		7pm, Worship Committee
Tu 9/11	9am, Morning Meditation		8:30am, Men's Get-Together
	5:30pm, Caring Committee	Th 9/27	4:30pm, Finance Committee
W 9/12	8:30am, Men's Get-Together		6pm, Membership Committee
	6:30pm, Green Sanctuary	Sa 9/29	7pm, Reincarnation class
	7pm, Social Action Coord Council		8:30am, What's Up Coffee
	7pm, Reincarnation class	Su 9/30	10am, Writers' Group
Th 9/13	8:30am, What's Up Coffee		6:30pm, Vegan Supper Club
	10am, Writers' Group		9:45am, Choir Practice
	7pm, UU Board Meeting		12:30pm, RE Committee
F 9/14	7pm, Brady McKay concert		
Sa 9/15	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE		
	7pm, Coffeehouse Concert		
Su 9/16	12:30pm, Reverence for Life		
	7pm, Second Sunday Cinema		
M 9/17	7pm, Choir Practice		
Tu 9/18	9am, Morning Meditation		

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SCOTTS FLAT LAKE ANNUAL UUCM CAMPOUT



Rev. Meghan may have been absent in body but was with us in spirit!





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The purpose of our Community is to foster liberal religious living through worship, study, service and fellowship. We seek the enjoyment of religion founded upon devotion to individual freedom as our method, we seek to grow in understanding of ourselves and of our world, to promote and serve the universal human family.

New to UU? Comprehensive information on our principles, beliefs within our faith, history, worship practices, congregational life and more is available on the denominational website at www.uua.org. Click on "Visitors."

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Visitors are invited to attend a membership class to learn about the UU denomination and this congregation. This two-part series, a orientation brunch followed the next week by a retreat is offered every three months after Sunday services. For more information, about the orientation or membership, please talk with Rev. Meghan Cefalu or with Corrie Silva of the Membership Committee.

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