



GREETERS AND HOSTS

If you are volunteering to host please serve light refreshment.

If you arrive early and wish to greet - kindly invite guests to sign the welcome book.

All members are invited to serve by greeting and hosting. If you wish to volunteer, contact the editor or sign the sheet in the foyer.

Calendar

Mon: SIA

Tuesday: UU on TV, 1pm
(*New Time for "UU View"*)

Tues. & Weds: Holistic
Health Center

4/8 Board Meeting
4/12 Eclectic Café
4/19 Poetry Celebration
4/20 Passover Seder

Submit articles for the next newsletter by the 20th of this month to carrl@hotmail.com

THANK YOU for turning off cell phones during Service.

The Bay Watch

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Statement of Mission

We, the Unitarian Universalist Society of South Suffolk, are a church fellowship that creates a safe home for all people in their spiritual search. We offer services of worship, religious education, and community outreach in an atmosphere that promotes serenity, compassion, mutual support and fun. We celebrate the inner spiritual spark that connects us all.

Worship begins at 10:30 A.M.

SERVICES OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 6: Karyn O'Beirne and UUSSS Board of Directors – **Our 5th Principle in Action**

The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.

Sunday, April 13: George Held – **A Poet's View**

UUSSS is pleased to invite back George Held in honor of Poetry month. George's 10th collection of poems *The Act of Writing and Others* was published in 2007. A professor, poet and FOB (Friend of Barbara) shares his reflections and poems.

Sunday, April 20 Laura DeSario – **The Poetry of Passover**

The themes of freedom, deliverance, and hope have inspired the celebration of Passover for 32 centuries. We will explore the poetry and song that can make this festival sing for Unitarian Universalists!

Sunday, April 27: Renee Silver – **The Rescuers**

In honor of Holocaust Remembrance Day, Renee from the UU Shelter Rock congregation will share reflections on the true story *Hidden on the Mountain* by Karen Ruelle and Deborah DeSaix.

SERVICES OF FELLOWSHIP

Congregational Conversation

Think town-hall meeting with coffee and snack. Immediately following a shortened service on April 6th we will meet and discuss our congregational future, the minister search, our lay leaders and the vision we have for ourselves as Unitarian Universalists.

An Evening of Celebration Honoring Millie Eckhoff

Saturday April 19
7 PM
UUSSS Sanctuary

Join us for an evening of music, poetry and great food celebrating member and dear friend Millie Eckhoff. Copies of Millie's first chapbook of poems will be available. This is a benefit and admission is \$10 for adults, children are free. Volunteers are needed and appreciated.

Passover Seder

Come learn the story of Passover. We will be continuing the tradition of passing the Passover Story from those who have learned it to the next generation. UUSSS will be hosting a Passover Seder on Sunday, April 20th at 6 p.m. Dress casually and bring a contribution to the Pot Luck Dinner.

Please take a moment to sign-up on the sheets in the foyer. If you are interested in helping to prepare the service contact Doug and Tamar.

A Note from the Worship Committee

On Sunday mornings, our sanctuary comes alive with the power and beauty of our community. It can be even more beautiful with plants and flowers that speak of the glory

of creation. Would you like to bring flowers to the worship service in memoriam, or in recognition of a special event in your life? Do you simply want to show off the blooms from your garden or greenhouse?

Our sign-up sheet for hosting and greeting on Sunday will include a spot for you to volunteer to bring flowers - the color and fragrance and visual WOW to complete our sacred space on Sunday. Your contribution will be valued, deeply, by everyone in the community.

The Eclectic Cafe

Saturday April 12:

Bill Carney's Jug Addicts



Showtime is 8:30PM, open mike at 7:30. Admission is \$10 for non-members (\$5 for High School students with ID), and \$8 for members. Membership is \$12 a year. Family memberships are also available. Ask at the ticket table for details.

Refreshments are available. We would also appreciate a donation of canned or dry food for local charity. For more information see: <http://www.eclecticcafe.org/>

Young Adult Party at Stony Brook UU

UU Fellowship at Stony Brook WOMBATS (20s-40ish young adult group) is hosting an intercongregational boogie night on April 19th at 7pm. Snacks will be provided, bring your own beverage. Sorry but child care will not be provided. Also a donation of a non-perishable item for our food pantry will be appreciated. If you have any questions please contact Keith Liblick: kliblick@gmail.com or Stephanie Regan: kmregan1@optonline.net.

SIA meeting (Survivors of Incest Anonymous)

Mondays 7:30-9 PM. We will meet in the front living room area unless there's another activity.
Contact: Christopher at 631-786-5153 or christopher_631@hotmail.com

SERVICES OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

Herstory Writers Workshop

The Social Justice Committee has donated seed money to launch a new community writing workshop, bringing together women from all walks of life, including those recently released from prison. Facilitated by Herstory Writers Workshop, the free series will meet for six weeks in the Sanctuary on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., commencing February 21. The theme is “Building Bridges through Our Tales.” For more information call (631) 676-7395 or visit Herstory’s website at www.herstorywriters.org.

Songbirds Wanted

Anyone interested in joining the UUSSS Vocal Ensemble should contact Erve Beiser at (631) 836-3502.

LIAC comes to Bay Shore

The Long Island Area Council will be holding its next Board Meeting at UUSSS on Sunday April 13 from 3 to 5 PM. For more information contact icorina@aol.com or go to <http://www.liacuu.org/>.

Caretakers' Corner

Doug and Tamar Beecher
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Office Hours: M-4:30p-6:30p and W-4:30p-6:30p

Caretakers Breakfast

Are you hungry before services? Come join Doug and Tamar for breakfast. The fundraiser will continue on April 13th and April 27th. \$5 per person call Doug and Tamar for menu and reservations.

Fire at the UUSSS

There was a small fire at the church on Saturday, March 22nd. The situation was quickly brought under control and the building was open for Easter Services. Thank you to everyone who responded to this emergency. Repairs will be started as soon as possible.

Moving forward on Building and Grounds Projects...

Thank you Brian and Eddie for installing the new sign in front of our congregational home. The new sign was installed after services on Easter Day.

If you would like to lend your talents to the church there is a lot of work to be done indoor and out door projects. Call Doug and Tamar for details.

See the Caretaker's Breakfast announcement at the end of the newsletter.

Connect with Lay Leaders

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Introducing the

Caretaker's Breakfast

A fundraising event for the UUSSS Building and Grounds

Reservations required.

All Breakfasts will be served at 9:30 am before services.

April 13th; Home Made Waffles and toppings

April 27th; Swedish Pancakes and toppings

All breakfasts come with coffee or tea, the juice of the day or water.

Sign up with Doug early, space is limited!!

\$5 per head