



### **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

2/3 Souper Bowl Party

2/9 Eclectic Café

2/12 Board Meeting

3/12 Labyrinth Walk

**Submit articles** for the next newsletter by the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month to [carrl@hotmail.com](mailto:carrl@hotmail.com)

## **The Bay Watch**

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## **February 2008**

### **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, February 3** Laura DeSario– **UU Evangelism (oy vey)**

This is what evangelists believe: that they have a wonderful idea that should be shared, because it has the power to transform people and lives for the better. Do we believe that Unitarian Universalism is such an idea? If the answer is yes, now what do we do?? Let's discuss our general ambivalence about spreading "the good news" of our religion.

**Sunday, February 10** Stu Napear – **Children of the Religious Education Program** will be presenting a service dealing with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Unitarian Universalist principle – Justice, equity and compassion in human relations, with an emphasis on compassion as an expression of love.

**Sunday, February 17** Karyn O'Beirne – **Why Do We Worship?** Why do we gather on Sunday mornings and light a chalice to begin a time to focus on any number of subjects. Come and explore the essence of Worship, Unitarian Universalist style.

**Sunday, February 24** Gale Alexander – **Universalism for Such A Time as This.** The prize winning sermon by the Rev. David Hicks MacPherson at the 200<sup>th</sup> celebration of Universalism at the General

Assembly in 1993 will be presented by Gale Alexander. This sermon gives new meaning to the term "*Universal Salvation*". Come, accept the challenge. Listen with an open mind. We need you for such a time as this. David Hicks MacPherson is a fifth generation Unitarian Universalist, served congregations in Massachusetts, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Wisconsin and specialized in helping churches to grow. Rev. MacPherson married Gale Alexander and his wife Julie in the National Memorial Universalist Church in Washington, D.C. in 1954. Julie is a fifth generation Universalist and Gale is a second generation Universalist. Gale Alexander is currently the Vice President of LIAC, the Long Island Area Council of Unitarian Universalist Congregations.

## **SERVICES OF FELLOWSHIP**

### **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.

### **Songbirds Wanted**

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

## **Service Auction Date Changed**

The date for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Service Auction has been changed to Saturday March 29. *It's not too late* to think of various services that can be auctioned off at this fundraiser. So far we have offers of NYC Opera tickets to Madama Butterfly with backstage tour, cooking lessons, handyman work, handmade jewelry, wine tasting, stained glass items, airport transportation, and more! Your ideas can be brought to Janet or Doug. Keep reading for more information. If you're interested in helping with this fundraiser contact Janet at (631) 277-0115 or [jhsflow@optonline.net](mailto:jhsflow@optonline.net) for more info.

## **Souper Bowl Party**

Sunday Feb 3 at 6 PM

Watch the big game or play a board game. Enjoy good food and great conversation. Please bring a dish for our potluck dinner and a non-perishable food item donation. Touchdown!

## **Darwin Day**

Many houses of worship will be celebrating Darwin Day or Evolution Weekend this coming February. Our local Humanist group from Long Island will be having a Darwin Day event at the Huntington UU Fellowship on Saturday Feb 23 in the afternoon at 1:30 PM. Prof Elof Carlson Professor Emeritus of Stony Brook U will be giving the Darwin Day address. We hope to see many UU's and many others come and enjoy this program.

For further information contact Norman Roscoe at the above email or at (631) 589-8665.

## Black History Month Program

On Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008, at 7PM, at the West Islip Public Library, 3 Higbie Lane, Room B, the South Suffolk Chapter of the National Organization for Women will present a Black History Month program, Two Dollars and a Dream, a video account of the first self-made millionairess, Madame C.J. Walker, a child of slaves freed by the Civil War. She, with the help of her daughter, made her fortune, including mansion and chauffeured limousines, on skin and hair products. Her daughter became a patron of the Harlem Renaissance. Discussion following video will be led by Alicia Figueras, VP of the Islip Town Branch NAACP and Business Development Manager for the Hauppauge Industrial Association (HIA), and by Carol Gordon, 3rd VP of the Central L.I. Branch NAACP and President of Unspoken History Treasures which teaches African American history using historical artifacts. Resources for aspiring entrepreneurs will be offered. There will be a Q. & A. and audience participation. Refreshments. Free. All welcome. For info, call (631) 435-1896 or (631) 581-5179.

## Indoor Labyrinth Walk

Wednesday March 12 at 7PM

Reflective walking and spiritual readings will help you to unwind and re-focus.

## 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](mailto:christopher_631@hotmail.com)

## The Eclectic Cafe

Saturday February 9:

## David Massengill "Dave on Dave" A tribute to Dave Van Ronk



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/>

## Caretakers' Corner

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Dear Congregation,

We would like to thank the board and the congregation for their kind gift this holiday

season. Keep an eye on the Caretaker's Corner as Tamar has found the new job she has been searching for. She starts on February 4<sup>th</sup>. This may require a slight adjustment to our office hours. We will keep you posted as Tamar learns more about her new position.

Your Caretakers,

Doug and Tamar Beecher

### **UU Bed and Breakfast Directory**

Do you dream of inexpensive vacation travel to interesting destinations where you can stay in the homes of friendly people who share your ideals and are happy to provide directions and advice for their area?

The UU bed and breakfast directory UU're Home (formerly Homecomings) can fulfill your dream. For 28 years, we've provided a network of hosts in the United States (and a few abroad) who enjoy meeting new friends and who are happy to open their home to like-minded people.

You can also become a host and be listed in the directory. Contact us at [info@uurehome.com](mailto:info@uurehome.com), or at 828-281-3253, and we will gladly send you information about listing your accommodations.

Host listings on the UU're Home website at [www.UUreHome.com](http://www.UUreHome.com) are updated whenever changes are made or new hosts are added. The paper edition is published every year in April (and has some listings different from those on the website). For a copy of the 2008 directory and a year's access to the website listings, please click on "become a member" to pay by credit card or send a check for \$25 and your e-mail address to UU're Home, 43 Vermont Court, Asheville, NC 28806.

## **YOUR AD HERE**

The Bay Watch will begin accepting ads: business cards, line advertisements, etc. Contact the editor, assistant editor, or typesetter for more information.

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