



GREETERS AND HOSTS

If you are volunteering to host please serve light refreshment.

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

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

Calendar

Tues. & Weds: Holistic Health Center

Mon, Weds, Fri: Food Pantry

7/6 – Restaurant Night
7/13 - Board Meeting

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

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.

THANK YOU for turning off cell phones during Service.

Worship begins at 10:30 A.M.

SERVICES OF WORSHIP

July 4: Elaine Lockwood – **Religious ideas can be found everywhere, not just the bible**

July 11: Norman Roscoe – **The New Big Story of Creation (Michael Dowd)**

July 18: Bill Van Zwielen – **Transcendentalism**

July 25: Brian Whittaker – **Spirituality: A personal Journey Toward...**

Annual Meeting

The annual UUSSS business meeting was held on June 6. The budget was discussed and approved, as was a slate of candidates for the Board of Trustees as prepared by the Nominating Committee. The newly elected Board would like to extend a big THANK YOU to exiting board members Jim Giarraputo, Sea Singh-Perez & Bill Van Zwienen for all they have done for UUSSS.

Congregational Conversation

A number of members stayed for a conversation after the Annual Meeting where certain practices of people attending service were discussed. At issue were lateness and service disruptions such as clapping, conversation, cell phones, and eating. Even the attitudes reflected by attire were discussed. Some believe that the casual nature of our small congregation creates the comfortable atmosphere they enjoy; others felt that some of these of these things did not belong in a Spiritual gathering and showed a lack of respect for those leading the service. Our congregational conversations enrich our relationships with each other and open meaningful dialogs.

Long Island Pride Parade

The threat of rain did not prevent an enthusiastic crowd from attending the 20th Annual Long Island Pride Parade on Sunday June 13. Among the many

groups that marched were several UU congregations including our own! Rev. Nancy Arnold joined with several congregants to march proudly with Elaine Lockwood's new handmade UUSSS banner.

Monthly Restaurant Night

The next gathering will be 6PM on Tuesday July 6 at **Café Gio**
761 Sunrise Highway
West Babylon, NY 11704-6004
(631) 587-2251

Free-thinkers AA Group

The Free-thinkers Alcoholics Anonymous group will meet Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary. For more information contact
x54bassman@optonline.net or
fscad@optonline.net.

RE Schedule

There will be no RE class in July or August.

Caretaker's Corner

Doug and Tamar Beecher
(631) 968-0667

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Office Hours

M and W 6-8 pm

Mid-Summer BBQ and Fundraiser

Doug is back behind the BBQ for a lunch in the Garden following services August 1. There will be a suggested donation of \$8 per person. Bring your

lawn chairs and enjoy the garden. Please be sure that you take a minute to sign-up for this event in the foyer.

Planning and our calendar

We have started booking the calendar through November. If you would like to make use of the building please make arrangements with Doug as soon as possible.

Fundraising, and other activities

We have started work on the church year's calendar. We are looking for anyone who is interested to help organize and work on the various activities/ fundraisers throughout the church year. If you're interested in helping I invite you to contact either Tamar or myself so that we can get the ball rolling together. As always, if you have an event or would like to rent the building for your own party please contact us.

Caretakers' Dinner: a fundraising effort

Many of you have enjoyed the Caretakers Breakfast in the past. Tamar and I would like to invite congregation members, friends and families to dinner. Dinner will be \$15 for an adult \$10 for children under 12. Dinner will be limited to eight people per night, reservations are required. All of the money collected will be donated to the UUSSS. The first dinner is scheduled for August 27th at 7 pm. The menu will include salad, enchiladas, rice and dessert. Look for a sign up sheet in the foyer.

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