



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

Tuesday: UU on TV, 1pm
(*New Time for "UU View"*)
Tues. & Weds: Holistic Health Center

11/8 Eclectic Café
11/11 Board Meeting
11/14 Dinner Dance
11/16 Social Justice meeting
11/23 Agape Feast

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, November 2: Rev. Nancy Arnold – Remembrance of All Souls

At this time of year, many religious traditions offer ceremonies and rituals through which to remember the dead. Our own UU faith fosters "immortality" by keeping alive the memories of those we love. Today we will honor those who have gone before us in a service of remembrance. Please bring photos of deceased loved ones to place on the remembrance table.

Sunday, November 9: Stuart Napear – Recognizing and Eradicating Violence against Women

Sunday, November 16: Rev. Harry C. Green – Celebrating the Democratic Process?

For the past year or so we have been hearing that our election process feels like an erosion of the democratic process. November 4 has come and gone. How do we feel about the health of our democracy following this election?

Sunday, November 23: Ellie Giarraputo – Agape Feast

Ellie will be presiding over our ever popular Agape feast. Please bring a dish to share with the congregation. Agape means love and we will dine

together sharing our food, hearts and minds in a community bound by many things, one of which is love.

Sunday, November 30: Karyn O'Beirne – The Tooth Fairy and Other Preposterous Beliefs

What is in your belief closet? How does that shape your world? We will explore Sophia Fahs' "It Matters What We Believe" and discover that reality is belief. Sophia Fahs helped lead a Unitarian religious education revival and was ordained in 1959 at age 83 in recognition for a lifetime contribution to the liberal religious movement.

Free-thinkers AA Group

The UUSSS Alcoholics Anonymous group will meet Thursdays in the Sanctuary.

November is National Hospice Month

Something is terribly wrong in the USA:

The majority of Americans prefer to die at home surrounded by family and friends, but most end up dying in a hospital, surrounded and cared for by strangers. Half of Americans die in pain that could have been treated. The sick and elderly have come to fear losing their dignity or burdening their families even more than they fear death.

Coping with a life-threatening illness can be overwhelming-most people don't know where to turn for help. Fortunately, high quality care and support that provide patients and their families with hope, love and dignity at the end of life is available. And it's covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance plans. It's called hospice.

November is National Hospice Month. Last year, hospice helped more than 1.4 million Americans live fully up until the end of life. For information about hospices across the USA: www.nhpco.org. The Visiting Nurse

Service of New York provides hospice care in NYC (www.vnsny.org or 212 609-1900).

Open House

All year Bay Shore has been celebrating its 300th Anniversary. On the weekend of Nov. 22 and 23 the houses of worship in the community will be opening their doors to visitors. UUSSS will be open from 1- 4 PM on both days. Volunteers are needed to greet visitors or bring refreshments. If you are a long time member and wish to contribute to a history of our congregation please contact a board member. We would like to have a printed history for guests as well as new members.

Social Justice

Our Thanksgiving basket collection will benefit Long Island Cares (www.licares.org) providing food to agencies on Long Island such as food pantries, soup kitchens, senior nutrition sites and day care centers. Their programs also address the need for education and job skills necessary to become self sufficient. The list of most needed items is posted on the corkboard in the corner near the foyer doors. Traditional Thanksgiving non-perishable items are also welcome, especially supermarket turkey certificates. No glass jars please. There is a labeled box in the foyer for your generous contributions.

You have a choice! The Mittens Tree this year will benefit two recipients. Items needed by the Suffolk County Coalition against Domestic Violence (www.sccadv.org) will be hung on the tree along with monetary donation mittens. Monetary donations will be sent to relief agencies in Haiti, which has been devastated by severe weather this year.

Children in need on Long Island will again enjoy toys purchased by your donations to the Holiday Greetings drive. Your good wishes to

fellow congregants can be written on the sheet to be included in the newsletter and the donation of the money you saved on cards and postage will enable children in our communities to have a happy holiday. The sheet and donation cup will be on the foyer table before and after services.

The Social Justice Committee thanks you for your support of our projects that reach beyond the walls of our sacred space and enable us to truly live the Seven Principles.

The next Social Justice Meeting will be on Sunday November 16 following service.

**Acting Workshop for Children
Grades 3 Through 5
RESCHEDULED**

A Drama workshop for children in grades 3 through 5 will be held five Saturday mornings starting January 10, 2009, 10-11:30 a.m. The classes will be presented at the Unitarian Universalist church's sanctuary located at 28 Brentwood Road, Bay Shore and taught by Laura Albert, a New York State Certified Teacher. The cost is \$45 per child for the five week workshop. The dates of the classes are January 10, 17, 24, 31 and February 7. Deadline for registration is January 3, 2009.

The workshop will include theater games, creative movement, character work, improvisation and vocal training. At the end of the five week session, the children will present a short theatre piece to family and friends.

Please call Laura at (631)747-1976 or email albert42@optonline.net for more information.

The Eclectic Cafe

Saturday October 11

An Evening with
James Lee Stanley



See www.jamesleestanley.com

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/>

RE Schedule

November 2 - class

November 9 - class

November 16 - class

November 23 – no class (AGAPE feast)

November 30 – no class (Thanksgiving weekend)

Caretakers' Corner

Doug and Tamar Beecher

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**Office Hours: M-4:30-6:30PM and
W-4:30-6:30PM**

Caretakers Breakfast:

We will be serving breakfast on:

November 9 - Home made Waffles and toppings

November 30 - Scrambled eggs, toast and bacon

December 7 - French Toast and Sausage

December 23 - Swedish Pancakes and Toppings

All breakfasts are served at 9:30 am.

Reservations are required.

Contact Doug or Tamar today!

UUSSS DINNER DANCE NOVEMBER 14, 2008

Jim Giarraputo will be providing live music for our fund raising potluck dinner and dance. All donations will go towards the building and grounds projects. Come out and support the positive changes you see in our sacred space. Bring your family and friends!

GAMES NIGHT!!!

Come enjoy yourself at our next Games Night on December 5th! Cranium, Scrabble, and Yahtzee are just a few of the games that were played at our last gathering. Look for more information on the yahoo group and in the foyer.

THANK YOU!!!!

Tamar and I would like to thank everyone who has been working around the building and grounds to help with the renovations and moving the office. Yes, this winter we will all be warm while we answer the phone and conduct our business. Please thank Carl, Brian, Jim, Mark, Bill and everyone who helped them as projects continue to move forward.

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