

April 26, 2019



UUCOD Weekly Reminder

SERVICES

April 28, 2019

My Heart is in the Mountain

For the past three years, John Michno has served on the interfaith outreach leadership team of SD350.org, providing information to and networking for various churches, synagogues, mosques and other faith and secular communities throughout the San Diego area.

Worship Leader: John Michno
Worship Associate: Ben White

May 5, 2019

Music Sunday Service!

Come enjoy the beautiful music and our wonderful choir. Let your spirits be lifted and your hearts expanded by poetry and song. Following the service, we will have our UUCOD Annual Meeting.

Worship Leader: Rev. Barbara Fast
Worship Associate: Josette Pacino

CALENDAR

Saturday, April 27

9 am-Climate Change Forum

Sunday, April 28

10 am-Worship Service
12 pm-Climate Change Forum

Monday, April 29

5:30 pm-Meditation
6:30 pm-Food Addicts in Recovery
7 pm-S2S2S

Tuesday, April 30

8:30 am-Weight Watchers
11:30 am-Book Discussion Group
4:00 pm-Safety Committee
7 pm-S2S2S

Wednesday, May 1

6:30 pm-UUCOD Choir
6:30 pm-DOS Israel Trip Meeting

Thursday, May 2

5 pm-DOS Choir
5:15 pm-Women's Night Out
7 pm-S2S2S
7 pm-Bridge

Friday, May 3

8 am-Men's Breakfast at Sherman's Deli in Palm Desert
11 am-Mid Valley Interfaith
7:30 pm- S2S2S Performance

Saturday, May 4

2 pm-Drop In Scrabble
7:30 pm- S2S2S Performance

Sunday, May 5

Food on the 1st
10 am-Worship Service
11:30 am-Annual Congregational Meeting

EVENTS

Today, April 26th – Afternoon Book Club

The book group will meet Today @ 1:30 at Sheryl Eaton's. The book to be discussed is "Becoming" -by Michelle Obama. Call Sheryl at (760) 902-8621 if you need directions; & you will need to let her know if you plan to come so she can notify the gate to check you in.

This weekend, April 26-28 – UUA Pacific Southwest District Assembly

"From the Ground Up-The Power of Our PSWD Communities": In Long Beach. For more information, <https://pswduua.org/events/district-assembly/>

Tomorrow, Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th – Climate Change Forum

UUCOD will host a two-day forum on climate change. The entire congregation and members of the public are invited to this free event.

The program will start Saturday morning with a power-point presentation on climate change science by John Michno from "San Diego 350.org -- a major climate change information and advocacy organization in southern California. For the past three years, John has served on the interfaith outreach leadership team of SD350.org, providing information to and networking for various churches, synagogues, mosques and other faith and secular communities throughout the San Diego area. More information about John's work can be found at the following two web addresses: <https://sandiego350.org/interfaith-team/> and <https://sandiego350.org/blog/2018/06/11/sd350-interfaith-team-addresses-faith-and-the-climate-crisis-at-seaside-center-for-spiritual-living/#more-9749>

Other weekends on Saturday will include explorations of the spiritual dimensions of climate change through an interactive dialogue in which participants can learn and engage with each other; introductions of various ways individuals can involve themselves in addressing the problem of climate change (including outreach to legislators and other policy makers); a presentation and interactive demonstration of the potential of using "nonviolent communication" skills to help bridge the gaps in perspectives on climate change among the public and policy makers.

Sunday events will begin with the Sunday morning UU Church service at 10 am followed by two parallel workshops in the afternoon — the first exploring in greater depth the value and potential for applying nonviolent communication skills in the context of communications around climate change and the second exploring the various actions that can be taken by individuals and groups to address climate change.

A light lunch will be provided both on Saturday and Sunday at no charge (although donations will be accepted to help replenish funds advanced by the Social Justice Committee). Reservations are not required; however, an email to laurennile@gmail.com if you will be joining us for lunch Saturday and/or Sunday would be appreciated.

The full agenda for the entire two-day Forum on Climate Change is posted on the UUCOD website at <http://uucod.org/PostAttachment/Display?postAttachmentId=58473>

Thursday, May 2 – Women's Night Out

WNO will be this Thursday at Boulevards in Sun City off the I-10 on Washington St. ALL UU women and their guests are welcome. Please arrive by 5:15 so that we can be seated and order no later than 5:30. In order for the staff to have an area designated for us and sufficient staffing, food, etc., please let Judi Mills know by Tues., April 30th. I'll also send directions to those who request. Hope to see you there. Questions: Email Judi at jksmills@windstream.net

Saturday, May 4th – Phantom of the Opera:

This Sunday, April 28th, is the last day to signup and pay for Phantom of the Opera tickets for Saturday, May 4th, 8 pm at the McCallum. We have 20 signed up, but not all have paid. The tickets without the group rate will be \$28, instead of \$27. Please pay Sheryl Eaton, she will pick up the tickets on Monday April 29th with cash to avoid ticket service fees.

Sunday, May 5th – Annual Congregational Meeting:

Important Annual Congregational Meeting, after Worship. To Elect Board Officers and approve 2020 Church Budget.

Sunday, May 5th & June 2 – Last two Food on First of school year

CVUSD students are starting their last six weeks of school before summer recess. The migrant education healthy food pantry provides canned and packaged goods to stretch family food budgets. Check all packages you donate to be sure they are not out of date. Bring to 5/5 Sunday service or leave ahead in UUCOD lobby in Oasis School bin. Most needed: 1) dry goods: corn masa flour (Maseca, Torti-Masa, etc.) for tortillas, bagged rice or dried pinto beans, small pasta or dry spaghetti; 2) cooking oil: vegetable, canola, or corn oil; 3) canned proteins: chicken, tuna or jars of peanut butter; 4) canned fruits and vegetables: all fruits, vegetables, tomatoes, tomato sauce, pasta sauce. Thanks!

Saturday, May 11th – UUCOD Music Program Fundraiser

Please join us on Saturday, May 11th in our Sanctuary from 2:00 – 4:00 PM to hear the world premiere of our own Kurt Jordan's new work "The Houses." Kurt's composition takes us on a journey through the 12 astrological houses of his own natal chart. Through it he musically shares feelings, challenges, and triumphs of his life through the lenses of the astrological perspectives and observed reality. There are highs and lows. Laughter and tears. To celebrate this world premiere, Kurt has generously asked that **all proceeds from tickets sales benefit the UUCOD Music Program.** Please join us for this

spectacular event and help Kurt celebrate this major accomplishment.

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased with your credit card by accessing this website:
<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=iqz6kh6ab&oeidk=a07eg60v0sje968ed0c>
You may also pay by cash, check or credit card at the church prior to or on the day of the event.

Please contact Jerry L'Hommedieu at treasurer@uucod.org or (562) 761-7889 to secure your reservation for the concert.

Saturday, May 11th – Second Saturday Stroll: Sunnylands Garden

We're going to take an easy stroll in May! We'll walk the two nature areas on either side of the Sunnylands Gardens entrance and then circle the Great Lawn. Each of these loops is about a quarter of a mile. Afterwards we'll sit on the patio and sip beverages or nibbles from the cafe. A very civilized Stroll this month! Come join for the social time.

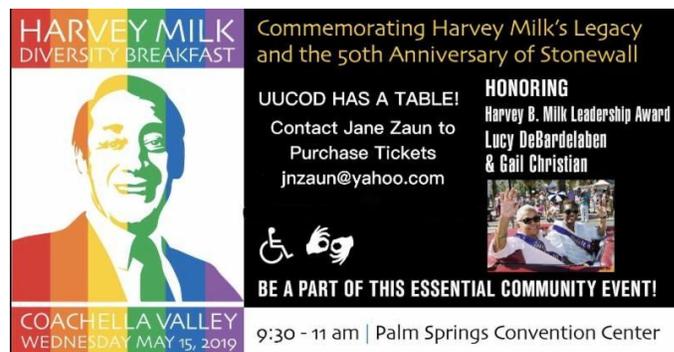
Meet at the Sunnylands Visitor Center at 8:30 on Saturday May 11. Parking and admission is free.

Click to register if you plan to join: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=iqz6kh6ab&oeidk=a07egae3esgc2b23537>

Questions: contact Rod Belshee.

Sunday, May 12th – Socks on the Second for homeless persons

With lower attendance in April we still received 36 pairs of socks which were taken to Well in the Desert for distribution. Let's catch up and pass that mark in May. Bring socks on May 12th or leave ahead in the Well in the Desert brown bin located in the UUCOD lobby. Bring new socks, darker colors very welcome. Well in the Desert Palm Springs distributes to local people living homeless. Your socks cushion footsteps during long treks on foot, provide a sense of comfort and dignity, and keep feet warm at night. Due to limited space, socks only. For other items, please contact Well in the Desert or another charity and transport those items yourself. Thanks!



HARVEY MILK
DIVERSITY BREAKFAST

Commemorating Harvey Milk's Legacy
and the 50th Anniversary of Stonewall

UUCOD HAS A TABLE!
Contact Jane Zaun to
Purchase Tickets
jnzaun@yahoo.com

HONORING
Harvey B. Milk Leadership Award
Lucy DeBardelaben
& Gail Christian

BE A PART OF THIS ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY EVENT!

COACHELLA VALLEY
WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2019

9:30 - 11 am | Palm Springs Convention Center

May 11th, Make Your Reservation Now Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast:

Join us at the Palm Springs
Convention Center from 9:30-11:00AM
to Commemorate Harvey Milk's Legacy
and the 50th Anniversary of Stonewall.
If you are interested on going, contact
Jane Zaun at jnzaun@yahoo.com

May 26th – Adult Program - *Being Mortal*:

Join UU minister Rev. Carolyn Price in a small group discussion of physician Atul Gawande's renowned book, *Being Mortal*. We'll explore what Gawande calls the "final frontier" of human existence, the end of life. Join us as we ponder some perhaps hard, but important questions, together. So that all may participate, this class is limited to the first 12 people who sign up. Required reading before Sunday, May 26th is *Being Mortal*, by Atul Gawande. The book may be purchased at local bookstores, or online.

To sign up or w/ questions: email Rev. Carolyn @ uurevclprice@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS: WELCOME!

There are many members who've indicated a willingness to be a Sunday Greeter. For 'Newbies,' this simply entails arriving around 9:20, helping to fold the 'Order of Service,' and then standing by one of the two Sanctuary entrances. **WELCOME** the folks as they arrive, and hand them an 'Order of Service.' If they are visiting or don't have a White name-tag, ask them to go to the entrance desk where Randy or Maxine will welcome them and give them a name tag.

If you can donate a Sunday to this you will enjoy it, and you will be performing a Service to UU. All you need to do is sign up on the Sunday of your choice with your name and contact information on the monthly schedules clipboard located on the center foyer table by the upright sign that says "Greeters."

I will call you on the Fri. or Sat. prior to your Sunday to check that you are still available. If something should change, you may get someone to sub for you, or let me know and I'll contact someone on the Sub. List, which will be the last page after the monthly sign-ups on the clipboard on the center foyer table.

Any questions, please email me at jksmills@windstream.net or call (760) 345.3897

LOOKING FOR SCRABBLE PLAYERS

The UUCOD Drop in Scrabble group meets at the church on the first and third Saturdays of each month from 2-4 pm. We would love to have you join us! All players are welcome-beginners to not. No commitments, no sign ups. Just show up! Contact Carol Lavoie at (760) 895-4409 or mclavoie@aol.com

SAVE THE DATE

June 19-23 – UUA General Assembly-"The Power of We":

In Spokane, WA. For more information, <https://www.uua.org/ga>. Do you want to be a delegate? See a Board member.

July 21-26 – SpiritRest Silent Retreat:

SpiritRest is a facilitated five-day silent retreat for Unitarian Universalists and other spiritual seekers. Our 2019 gathering will be in Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. This retreat is led by UU ministers Sharon Wylie, Arvid Straube, Stefanie Etzbach-Dale, and Lucy Bunch.

Retreatants meet with a spiritual director for a half hour each day. In addition to the practice of silence, there is guidance for meditation, labyrinth walks, prayer, art journaling, Qi gong, and InterPlay. There is also time for singing together. Each day closes with a vespers service at sundown. Learn more at our website www.spiritrestretreat.com

Newsletter Deadlines: The deadline for the Newsletter is always Wednesday morning. If you are going to be late, call or email the Administrator at admin@uucod.org asking to reserve space. The newsletter needs to be on the website by 3 pm, Fridays.

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