



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Porterville

Newsletter for September 2011

Sunday Service is at 10:30 am. Coffee and visiting at 10:15 am
135 E. Harrison (Corner of Harrison Ave. and Fourth Street)
Porterville, CA 93257

Our website is: <http://UUFellowship.homestead.com/UUFellowship.html>

September 4 “Science, Human Values, and The Templeton Foundation” Buzz will present an audio program from the 30th Anniversary Conference of Free Inquiry and Council for Secular Humanism. In the program, Lawrence Krauss, Professor of Physics, skeptic, and science promoter discusses the John Templeton Foundation and the relationship between science, human values, and religion—age-old questions with new thoughts. Discussion will follow.

Host: Marilyn Hymn 26 Reading 728

September 11 “Suicide Bombing: Terrorism, or Act of Faith?” Leif Syrdahl, Porterville College Professor of Anthropology, will be the guest speaker. His presentation will look at the history of suicide bombing as seen in the world today and explore why this has become a common world event.

September’s potluck

Potluck Host: The Board Hymn 328 Reading 608

September 18 “Native American Stories” In his book *Anpao: An American Indian Odyssey*, Jamake (pronounced Juh-MAH-kuh) Highwater has compiled a collection of traditional North American myths and legends into one story. Join Terry Crewse as we follow the main character Anpao, young, handsome, and brave, on his quest and growth into manhood. The stories provide a window into Native American cultural values and world view.

Host: Buzz & Jen Hymn 213 Reading 614

September 25 “Certainly Probable” What you probably don't know about probability and randomness. Terry Crewse will share some of the ways in which randomness rules our lives and how surprising some probabilities can be. We will also learn how easily probabilities can be misunderstood or misapplied.

Host: Alfonso Hymn 311 Reading 660

September Birthdays – Alfonso Hernandez 18th, Jim Innis 22nd, Lois Innis 25th

Tuesday Reading Group meets Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 – 5 p.m. The group is finishing reading “The Best American Essays 2009.”

Movie Night – *La Cage Aux Folles* will play the evening of Saturday, September 17 at the Fellowship.

Helping Hands Food Basket – Please continue to bring food for the Helping Hands Food Basket. Bulk staples and other non-perishables are appreciated and delivered weekly by Jim Innis.

Regular UU Board Meeting – Sunday, September 18, 2011

October Rummage Sale Are you still collecting stuff for the rummage sale? It is amazing what someone else might value that you are eliminating. Joan will have sign-up sheets at the Fellowship very soon so that, in addition to your tangible donations, you can also sign up to donate time to the project. It is our one money-maker of the year. Everyone needs to participate one way or the other.

Porterville College C.H.A.P. Fall 2011 Events

- **Friday, September 16 (7 – 8 p.m.)** Watergate – Jay Hargis
- **Monday, September 19 (11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)** Constitution Day Speaker
- **Friday, October 14 (7 – 8 p.m.)** Salt Basins of the Sierra Nevada – Dr. Jim Moore
- **Wednesday, October 19 (11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)** Gay Rights Movement in the ‘70s – Dr. Ann Marie Wagstaff
- **Wednesday, November 9, (11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)** Vietnam Veteran’s Panel
- **Thursday, November 10 (7 – 8 p.m.)** Experiences as an Army Nurse During the Vietnam War – Nancy Chadwell

As a Unitarian Universalist congregation, we affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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