



Newsletter for November 2012



Tuesday Reading Group

Meets Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 – 5 p.m. The group is currently reading “The Believing Brain” by Michael Shermer.



Tuesday Recorders

This musical group meets Tuesday following the reading group (about 5 pm). The group is now preparing some music for December. If you play a recorder or want to learn, join us.

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

November 4 **Eternal Meditation -Part II**

Chitra Seralathan will present. Enlightened Masters are again and happening on planet earth and saying, 'Life is joy, life is ecstasy, life is bliss,' etc. But in our daily routine we don't seem to be experiencing this to be true. Why are their words not becoming reality in our life?

Hymn Om Namaha Shivaya (Peaceful Bhajan)
Reading Eckhart Tolle Host: Alfonso C. Hernandez

November 11 **Eternal Meditation - Part III Reclaim Your Priceless Possession**

Chitra Seralathan will present. You have pure inner space which does not get corrupted by the flowing thoughts. Fortunately you have a screen (your pure inner space) which does not get burned by the burning scene. If you project a burning scene on the screen through the film, will the screen be burned? No. In the same way, fortunately, you have a pure inner space, which does not get corrupted, polluted, or possessed by a particular idea or a thought. Understanding this deeply can completely liberate you from all the suffering you create for yourself. It can bring tremendous self-healing into you, tremendous freedom to you and tremendous courage and confidence.

Potluck - *Bring a dish to share!*

Hymn 391 Reading Eckhart Tolle

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Web: <http://www.uuporterville.org/>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Unitarian-Universalist-Fellowship-of-Porterville/162339087121352>

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 Edith LaVonne.

Donations to UU

The end of the year is approaching. If you are considering making a tax-deductible donation to the Fellowship, now is a good time to benefit this tax year.

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November 18 Toy Auction for Heifer Project

Bill Warner of the Visalia Friends meeting will give a presentation about the work of the Heifer International, an organization which helps people and communities in poverty around the world help themselves. As a part of the program, he will hold a fantastic auction of new "retro" toys, mostly tin, like grandpa played with. This is a chance to get something back for your tax-deductible donation to the Heifers! Donations to most charities bring you a mailbox full of requests from worthy causes. This auction (our 13th year) actually gives you something valuable back for your generosity! You might want to check out their website before the program: www.heifer.org.

Hymn 147 Reading 601 Host: Terry Bergfalk

November 25 Shakespeare and More

Cole Porter's "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," a number from his spin-off of *The Taming of the Shrew* called *Kiss Me, Kate*. There will be some readings from Shakespeare, some songs and even a contest. Wesley Cox and Joan Givan will present this fun-filled program.

Hymn 318 Reading 646 Host: Edith LaVonne

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- 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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Sunday November 4, 2012 (shortly following service)

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UU Programs

Each month has a designated program coordinator. Should anyone wish to schedule a program, they must contact the program coordinator listed on the sign-up sheet for that month. No programs will be placed on the agenda without the approval of the program coordinator for that month. Always check the signup sheet for the correct name.

Movie Night, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, November 24

Babette's Feast (Babettes Gæstebud), directed by Gabriel Axel, is based on the story of the same name. The film is set in 19th century Denmark. The plot surrounds two adult daughters of a church pastor in a small village. A French refugee, Babette arrives who later prepares a feast for the small church. The film won the 1987 Best Foreign Language Film at the Academy Awards among other awards. Come with a friend, and bring a snack to enjoy.



Porterville College C.H.A.P. Events in November

Events are free and held in the Porterville College Theater

Wednesday, November 7, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and

Thursday, November 8, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Veterans Panel - *Veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam, and Iraq/Afghanistan*

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