



Newsletter for February 2013

February programs coordinated by Buzz Piersol



Tuesday Reading Group

Meets Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 – 5 p.m. The group is currently reading “Arguably” a collection of essays by the late Christopher Hitchens.



Tuesday Recorders

This musical group meets Tuesday following the reading group (about 5 pm). All are welcome to attend—no experience required!

February 3 Nithya Kriya for Cure of Diabetes

Chitra will present. The human body has circulatory, nervous, respiratory, digestive, reproductive, excretory and energy systems. When the energy flow gets blocked in the energy system, it results in diseases, disorders, and disturbances. Remove the block and pump the energy into circuit, healing the disease. Nithya Kriya is based on the teaching methods laid out by legendary yogis whose contribution enriched this science for centuries. Visit <http://www.nithyananda.org/nithya-kriyas> for cure and care of various diseases. Come ready to BREATHE!!!

Hymn Devotional on Shiva Reading Eckhart Tolle Hosts: The Summers

February 10 Empowering Love: Going Upstream

Unitarian Universalists have lofty principles calling us, not only to love our neighbor, but to empower that love by addressing systems that cause hurt and harm. By joining together, Unitarian Universalists are contributing to positive change across California. During this San Joaquin Valley Outreach Sunday, the Rev. Lindi Ramsden, Senior Minister and Executive Director of the UU Legislative Ministry, CA (Sacramento) will be a guest in our pulpit.

Potluck - *Bring a dish to share!*

Hymn TBA Reading TBA

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

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.

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.

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February 17 Incognito

Terry Crewse will present. In his book *Incognito: The Secret Lives of the Brain* Dr. David Eagleman (a neuroscientist at Baylor College of Medicine) explores some of the most recent discoveries in science's understanding of consciousness. He also proposes a rethinking of our system of law enforcement based on some of these new insights. We will also discuss work done by Dr. Allan Whitenack Snyder and Dr. Joshua Brown.

Hymn 286

Reading Excerpts for Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech

Host: TBA

February 24 Politics, Religion, and Science

Buzz will share a video of this hour-long talk by Eugenie Scott on the topic of evolution and global warming denialism. Eugenie effortlessly cuts through the politics and fanfare with demonstrations of sound science and legal precedent.

Hymn 334 Reading 552 Host: Joan Givan



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February Birthdays

Linnea Edwards 4th
Buzz Piersol 29th

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Movie Night, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, February 16, 2013

Lincoln

As the Civil War continues to rage, America's president struggles with continuing carnage on the battlefield and as he fights with many inside his own cabinet on the decision to emancipate the slaves. In 1865, as the American Civil War winds inexorably toward conclusion, U.S. president Abraham Lincoln endeavors to achieve passage of the landmark constitutional amendment which will forever ban slavery from the United States. As the nation confronts its conscience over the freedom of its entire population, Lincoln faces his own crisis of conscience -- end slavery or end the war.

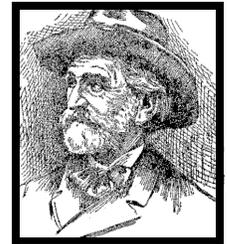


Note: The film will begin early (6:30 p.m.) due to its length

Metropolitan Opera at the Porterville Galaxy Theater

February 2013 Schedule

Wednesday February 6, 6:30 p.m. Maria Stuarda (Encore) by Berlioz
Wednesday February 16, 9:55 a.m. Rigoletto (Live) by Verdi



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.

UU Board Meeting

Sunday February 3, 2013 (shortly following service)

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President: Marilyn Pankey
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