

Newsletter for March 2014

March programs coordinated by Marion Gant

March 2 Love and Its Counterfeits

Dr. James Smith, retired professor of philosophy, Fresno State, will discuss emotions and attitudes that are sometimes confused with love and which interfere with good personal relationships and even good public policy. Conversation will follow.

Hymn 299 Host: Steve Summers Reading - A quote from "Living Alone" by Stella Benson

March 9 And the Winner isn't ...

Terry Crewse will talk about some of the major-party candidates who ran for but did not win the U.S. presidency. Who were they? What were their platforms? Why didn't they win? Conversation will follow.

Potluck—bring a favorite dish!

Hymns 346 Reading 416 Hosts: The Board

UU Monthly Board Meeting

Sunday, March 2 12:00 p.m. (shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey Vice-President: Joan Givan Treasurer: Steve Summers Secretary: Marian Gant

Social Justice: Alfonso C. Hernandez Grounds and Maintenance: Brock Neeley Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse Religious Education: Jen Piersol

Sunday Service is at 10:30 am. Coffee and visiting at 10:15 am

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Tuesday Reading Group

The reading group is currently discussing the next book to read. Now is a great time to to join the group, which meets every Tuesday at 3:30 at the Fellowship.

March 16 Rediscovering Our Place in Nature

Marion Gant will present material from books by Jonathan Weiner and David Suzuki: Our place in nature. What we are doing to nature / to ourselves. Ideas and attitudes which contribute to this. Conversation will follow.

Hymn 317 Reading 550 Host: Joan Given

March 23 The CCC in Tulare County

The Civilian Conservation Corps was a program designed by the Roosevelt Administration to provide work for the nation's unemployed young men providing public service at the same time. In June, 1933, a CCC camp opened on the bank of the Tule River above Springville. After the camp closed in the early 1940's, most structures were torn down, leaving rock and cement work. Joan Stewart's parents bought the land in 1948 and built a home, leaving all the historical work. Joan's program will compare the then and now of this piece of Tulare County history. Conversation will follow.



This Unitarian Universalist community welcomes and celebrates the presence and participation of people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer.

Hymn 313 Reading 650 Host: Marilyn Pankey



March 30 The Environment and the Economy

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Our environmental problems and our economy are entangled. Marion will read an article from The Nation about what some progressives, organizations and communities are thinking and doing about this. Conversation will follow.

Hymn 342

Reading TBA

Host: Merrily Davies

Tuesday Recorders

This musical group meets Tuesday following the reading group (about 5 pm). program. All are welcome to attend and play, regardless of experience.

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.

Redesigned UU Logo

You may have noticed the new logo on the front page. The UUA has recently redesigned the logo, so we are giving it a go in our newsletter!

Porterville College C.H.A.P Sponsored Event

Wednesday, March 5, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Troublesome Women: Social Activism in America - Presented by Rebecca Baird, History Instructor

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.