



## Newsletter for June 2014

*June programs coordinated by Joan Givan*

### **June 1 Controversial Architecture**

Joan Givan will present. With global warming at our door, we have to rethink our survival habits. We will have to store water, build strong and tall retaining walls to protect our coastal areas. We must reimagine our architecture, and build stronger dwellings that will protect us from flood erosion, mud slides, and fires. Could underground homes be a solution? Perhaps they may be a solution in some areas where strong winds and tornadoes destroy entire communities. Discussion will follow.

Hymn 101      Reading 425      Host: Steve & Priscilla Summers

### **June 8 A Gershwin Night**

Be entertained by the music of George Gershwin recorded live in Berlin. This PBS program features Seiji Ozawa conducting a spirited rendition of Gershwin's *An American in Paris*, and Marcus Roberts Trio crisp and exciting jazz rendition of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* and *Concerto in F*

*Potluck — bring a dish to share!*

Hymn 21      Reading 547      Host: Terry Crewse

### **UU Monthly Board Meeting**

*Meets first Sunday of the month, 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

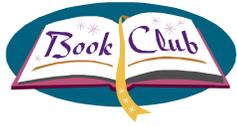
Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse

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 concluding their reading of "Edible: An Adventure into the World of Eating Insects." The group will continue to meet through the summer. Feel free to join, the reading group meets every Tuesday at 3:30 at the Fellowship.

### June 15 Radiation in California? Facts, Healing and Good News

Join Essene Minister, Engineer, and Traditional Naturopath Lawrence Hoppis HHP, MH, for a fact-filled lecture on the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant accident in Japan, how it may be affecting those living in the USA and California, and what strategies to proactively protect health during this time. The good news is, not only is healing from radiation supported through proper lifestyle and preparation, but that nearly all health parameters can be improved as well by the same process. A Q&A session will follow the lecture for those with questions.

Hymn TBA    Reading TBA    Host: Merrily Davies

### June 22 Eleanor Roosevelt

President Harry S. Truman called Roosevelt the "first lady of the world." Joan Givan will show a film which explores Roosevelt's politics and passion for human rights.

Hymn 205    Reading 573    Host: Joan Givan



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



### June Birthdays

- Ivan Ball                    2<sup>nd</sup>
- Brock Neeley              20<sup>th</sup>
- Jen Piersol                 22<sup>nd</sup>



### **Tuesday Recorders**

Our recorders group is on hiatus for June and July, and will pick up again in August.

## **June 29 Past Presidential Elections, continued**

We will discuss some of the Presidential election campaigns of the 19th century. 1808 and 1812 saw Charles C. Pickney run but lose as a member of the dying Federalist Party. What we now know as the Republican Party was born in 1854 with its presidential candidate, John C. Frémont coming in a close second during a very heated campaign. We will consider the crucial elections of 1860 and 1864 where Lincoln fought to preserve the union in a nation which had torn itself apart. Was Lincoln a sure bet for reelection in 1864? What did his opponent, popular union general George B. McClellan want to do to end the war in 1864? Why didn't he win? All of these issues will be weighed as we look back to what could have been a very different past.

Hymn 188    Reading 643    Host: Buzz & Jen Piersol

## **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 June 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!

## **UU Fellowship of Porterville Website**

Our website <http://uuporterville.org> is currently being moved to a new webhost-provider and should be live again soon. Expect to find new things there in the near future!

### **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.