



Newsletter for November 2014

November programs coordinated by Edith La Vonne

November 2 “What’s It All About?” by Joshua Searle-White

What is the purpose, if in fact it has a purpose at all? Is it about attaining salvation? Making a difference? Mastering the hokey-pokey? Join us as we examine one of life’s most persistent questions and offer a potential answer to it. Joshua Searle-White holds a B.A. in Russian Language and Literature from Oberlin College and a Ph.D in Clinical Psychology from Clark University. He currently serves as Congregational Life Staff for the Pacific Western Region of the Unitarian Universalist Association. Before taking that position he taught for 18 years at Allegheny College.

Potluck — bring a dish to share!

Hymn TBA Reading TBA Host: Potluck

November 9 Irving Berlin’s *Alexander’s Ragtime Band*

This 1938 film of ragtime song and dance begins in 1915 San Francisco when society boy Roger Grant decides to pursue popular rather than serious music. Discussion to follow.

Hymn 346 Reading 634 Host: Carolyn Giddings

UU Monthly Board Meeting

Meets Sunday, November ??, 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 group is still reading the first volume of the biography of Lyndon Johnson. Join us 3:30-5:00 p.m.

November 16 Drought and How It Affects Us

Carolyn Giddings will talk about the record-setting drought that is presently upon California.

Hymn 175 Reading 655

Host: Merrily Davies

November 23 Uncle Bill Warner's Toy Auction

Friend of UU, Uncle Bill Warner is presenting his annual toy auction once again. All proceeds go to Heifer International. Help buy animals for people in need by bidding on some beautiful reproductions of classic toys.

Hymn 360 Reading 649

Host: Terry Crewse



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



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**Tuesday
Recorders**

Recorders is rehearsing for a holiday program in December. All are welcome to come and play regardless of experience! Meets at 5 p.m. following reading group.

**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.

November 30 Documentary *The Reconstruction of Asa Carter*

Asa Earl Carter was noted for the vitriolic words, "Segregation now, segregation tomorrow, segregation forever," which were written for and spoken by George Wallace during the civil rights movement of the 1960s. Ironically, for no obvious reason, he reinvented himself in the 1970s as Forrest Carter, and wrote a so-called autobiography, *The Education of Little Tree*, which preached tolerance. Buzz will show the one-hour documentary with discussion to follow.

Hymn 170 Reading 594

Host: Edith La Vonne

Porterville College Cultural and Historical Awareness Program

November Programs

Friday, November 7, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Hatshepsut: How a Woman Ascended the Throne of Ancient Egypt
Kara Cooney Ph.D., Egyptologist, Associate Professor, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, UCLA

Monday, November 10, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

In Honor of Veteran's Day
A panel of local veterans

Friday, November 14, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Recovery and Identification of U.S. Missing-In-Action Personnel:
Archaeology, Forensic Anthropology and the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command Mission Presented by William Belcher Ph.D.

**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.