



## Newsletter for February 2019

February programs coordinated by Buzz Piersol



### Helping Hands Food Basket

The Helping Hands basket is back! Please bring non-perishable food for the food basket. The basket is located in the fellowship and will be delivered by Marilyn to Helping Hands each week.

### February 3 Some Fictional and True Stories

Buzz will read a few stories. One or two of them will be of the (science) fictional sort from a teaser in December. The true story is about a young 19<sup>th</sup> century Japanese boy who experienced a life-changing journey across the oceans.

Hymn 21      Readings 428, 446      Host: Terry Crewse

### February 10 Origami Valentines

We had such a good time in January so Merrily will continue her origami lessons with objects fitting for one's valentine.

### **POTLUCK - Bring a dish to share!**

Hymn 325      Reading 470      Host: TBA

### February 17 Collapse of Civilization

Ralph will present on why human civilizations collapse. Examples include Rome, the Maya, and the Anasazi. Factors that lead to the collapse include resource depletion, social divisiveness, and warfare.

Hymn 205      Readings 468      Host: Ralph Bourne

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

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### February Birthdays

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Linnea Edwards      4<sup>th</sup>  
Buzz Piersol      29<sup>th</sup>

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### February 24 **Are You Talkin' to Me?**

This is your opportunity to express your opinion on a newsy topic that is worth your time and energy. The scope is everything from “What’s the future of the Republican Party?”, to “Is legislation on plastic bags having a positive outcome?”

Hymn 169

Reading 582

Host: Piersols



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

### **UU Monthly Board Meeting**

Meets Sunday, February 6, 12:00 p.m.  
(shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey

Vice-President: Merrily Davies

Treasurer: Steve Summers

Secretary: Marion Gant

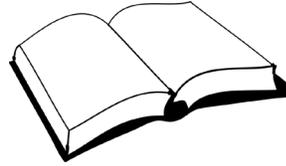
Social Justice: *vacant*

Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse

Religious Education: Jen Piersol

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## Reading Groups



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### Wednesday Reading Group

Our reading group tries to meet every other Wednesday at Sierra Hills, but life happens. The group will be meeting January 30 (if it's not too late) to discuss *Becoming* by Michelle Obama.

### Ralph's Reading Group

Ralph's reading group will next meet on February 15, where the group will continue to discuss *An Edible History of Humanity* by Tom Standage. Contact Ralph for more information.

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### 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.