

DIALOGUE

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Jerry Thiebolt's ceramic mural "Sun and Chalice" now graces the UUFSD Memorial.

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Settled Minister Search

Beginning in the Fall 2019, the Search Committee and congregation will work together to self-evaluate our needs, desires, strengths, and weaknesses as a congregation. The main tools of this self-evaluation process are a Congregational Survey, a series of small group discussion sessions known as Cottage Meetings and Focus Groups, and a 3-hour seminar called Beyond Categorical Thinking. (More on Pages 10 & 11)

Rev Thomas' Corner



Memory, by Reverend Thomas

This autumn we are doing three processes at once. With our Search Committee we are starting a search for a settled minister. With our interim minister and Transition Team, we are engaged in interim ministry. And with all our current leaders and standing committees we are continuing the work of seeking the truth, working for justice, growing in faith, and helping one another in fellowship. All three of these will not be separate if we remember that they are rooted in the same past. They will all be part of a shared and complementary ministry if we direct them all to a shared future. So, we begin all three by “looking back.”

Walking about the UU Fellowship's campus one can see several plaques with names on them. I have counted about fourteen. Most include the words “memory” or some form of “dedicated to.” But many of them are becoming forgotten in the underbrush. To honor and remember more and better we also have created a Memorial Walkway in the heart of our Fellowship's property. Remember, all of us experience a community today that was shaped by these people. Their influence or spirit lives on in each of our gatherings. I encourage you to share, or learn, something about the names and lives we have so honored. The Day of the Dead ceremony, at the end of October, will be a time to bring this sharing into focus.

Know this, it is not objects, metal plaques or ceramic tiles, that recall the influence of the past. In fact, loving memory and dedication can only reside in people. By sharing remembrances and telling stories we create and recreate, the fabric of our community.

My elder UU colleague, Earl Holt, once wrote: “We come to our church to remember the good of ages past, particularly the good people who by their lives of dedication and purpose made the world a better place for us today. So that we may not forget all that we owe to those who have lived before us, we light the chalice.” Each week the past is present in our worship and all our ministries, influencing how we hear the words, understanding the songs and imagining the future.

Our Values In Action



July 3-7: All Fellowship Campout at Horse Heaven

Each year we reserve campsites at Mt. Laguna for the Memorial Day and Fourth of July weekends. Some folks arrived on the Friday night and others on Saturday. There was a wonderful community stew on Saturday evening. Actually several stews: beef, chicken and vegetarian. Everyone brings something for the stew pots and a side dish to share. Other meals are on a family basis, but some of the children ate with friends instead of their own families. There were opportunities for hiking, biking, and games galore. Campfires and singing were also part of the fun shared.



Gay Pride Parade, San Diego, Saturday, July 13

Karen Reimus and her daughter Kelly marching with the UU contingent in the Pride Parade. As always, it was an AMAZING event!!



Racial Justice Forum, Sunday, July 14

Forty members and friends joined Kay Bolden in a Racial Justice Forum. Kay was the lay speaker at our Sunday service; her topic was “Weaponizing My Own Privilege.” She exhorted us to stop feeling guilty about our color, race and age and to use our privilege to produce social justice change. She indicated that the only reason to feel guilty comes from inaction. She called on us to listen and not presume to speak for other people, especially people of color. During the general comments phase of the forum, several members indicated how the Beloved Conversations program gave them the courage to speak up when derogatory racial comments were made in passing conversations with friends. Kay reiterated that one way we can contribute is to call out racism whenever we witness it.

Our Values in Action



Social Justice Action Visioning Workshop, Sun, July 21

Twenty one members of UUFSD met to share their personal experiences working on Social Justice projects. Members were asked to think about how the SJA projects impact our members and what could be done to increase member participation in our projects. Part of the discussion involved looking at how our congregation in general identifies and understands our undertakings. The group also brainstormed the possibilities for projects that we could undertake. The next step is to discuss "the hows" of making our ideas realities.



Environmental Justice Task Force Meeting, Sunday, July 28

We welcomed Laura Colban as the new coordinator of the Environmental Justice Task Force (EJTF), which is part of the UUFSD Social Justice Action. Laura, Scott Thatcher, Neil Lynch, Andi MacLeod, Karen Reimus, and Larry Jones met to discuss our EJTF agenda going forward.

The task force decided to:

- Have monthly EJTF meetings and other events immediately after services.
- Support the Green New Deal (GND) by participating in Friday lunch-time protest outside of Scott Peter's UTC office, to encourage Peters to sign on to the GND .
- Andi MacLeod will take the lead on setting up a UUFSD composting program
- Karen Reimus will ask her Indivisible group to encourage Rep. Scott Peters to support the Green New Deal
- Larry Jones will look into the possibilities of an EV charging station at UUFSD.
- Have a Forum on "Agriculture and Food, Reducing Waste, Regenerative Agriculture, Plant Based Diets, and composting," presented by Alexandra Regan.
- Have a Forum on the Climate Action Plan of the City of San Diego.
- Participate in an Interfaith service at the September 20, 2019, Climate Change Strike.

San Diego Food Bank Results

August: We bagged 8,000 pounds of potatoes for your peers-in-need.

September: We assembled 660 boxes of food on an assembly line.

A Note From Sara Ohara:

Everyone, thank you. We do this the first Thursday of each month. If you would like to participate, and this is your first time, you'll need to contact me for the Group Code at: sara@saraohara.com



Our Values in Action



Fill a Belly Dinner, Tuesday, August 6

Encinitas Fill-a-Belly has created a meaningful weekly gathering for the Encinitas community and friends to share a meal with our brothers and sisters who are homeless. Every Tuesday dinners are served at Cottonwood Creek Park. Our Fellowship hosted the August 6th dinner. The food was delicious and abundant. There were also donations of clothing and toiletries.

Members of the Fellowship were joined by friends from the UUFSD Friday night meditation group. The children who volunteered were friendly and very eager to help. They distributed granola bars and other desserts and made up pairs of socks to give to our homeless guests. Thank you to all the parents for teaching their children the value of volunteering.



Our next Fill a Belly Dinner November 5, 6:30-8 pm

Our UUFSD Willage will serve a Fill A Belly Dinner at Cottonwood Creek Park in Encinitas. Sign-ups for the November Fill a Belly can be made at: http://bit.ly/UUFSD_Fill_a_Belly

For more information on the Fill a Belly Dinner contact Ala Garza at: alaandulysses@gmail.com



Mark your calendars
2020 Fill A Belly Fellowship
Dinner Dates

Cottonwood Creek Park, Encinitas.
6:30-8:00 pm
Tuesday, February 4
Tuesday, May 5
Tuesday, August 4
Tuesday, November 3

Our Values in Action

Showing Up For Racial Justice (SURJ) Planning Meeting, Tuesday, August 20



Thirty five members, friends and people from outside the fellowship attended the first SURJ North Coast organizing meeting. SURJ is a national network of groups and individuals organizing white people for racial justice. Through community organizing, mobilizing, and education, SURJ moves white people to act as part of a multi-racial majority for justice with passion and accountability. SURJ provides a space to build relationships, skills, and political analysis to act for change.

Future meetings will be held at the Fellowship on the third Tuesday of every month. For more information, contact Robin Sales or Andi MacLeod at northcountysurj@gmail.com

Homeless Project, Delivering Dignity, Thursday, August



Our UUFSD Homeless Task Force delivers toiletries and other hygienic items to our homeless brothers and sisters at the Encinitas Community Resource Center. We were fortunate to have a Casas de Luz donation, from an anonymous donor, of wonderful hats that were very well received. On this occasion we were joined by Irv Himelblau's grandson Steven Olson, who helped Paul Trause prepare the distribution buckets.

A special thanks to everyone who generously donate to our "Change for Shower Tokens" project. We recently raised enough money to provide shower tokens for our brothers and sisters in need for the next two months. Please continue to bring your spare change to the Happening Table on Sundays. The tokens are a blessing to many in

Our Values in Action



Glow Party, Saturday, Aug 24

We kicked off the new year of Religious Education with a Glow Party. Black-lights, glow-sticks, balloons, glowing body-paint, flashlights, and dance music transformed the Fellowship Hall for one evening, thanks especially to Tanya and Jon Strauss and our Religious Education Director Alison. Celebrating community, welcoming all our varied dancing styles, and providing a chance for longer lovely conversations with both new and older members, this family-friendly rave was a creative expression of our UU principles and one we hope will become an annual tradition.



Backpack Project, July & August 2019

Thank you UUFSD for another very successful summer backpack collection. We donated over 125 backpacks and supplies to four organizations: Casas de Luz, Encinitas Union School District, Encinitas Community Resource Center and the Boys and Girls Club in Solana Beach. Thank you to the many that made generous monetary donations and to all those that shopped. Also much gratitude to the individuals that collected and packed up and delivered the backpacks. **And a very special thanks to Liz Young who coordinated this wonderful project.**



Our Values in Action

Beach Party, Sunday, August 25

Over 50 people attended our August 25th "End-of-Summer Beach Party." It was a lovely, warm afternoon and many went swimming. All who attended had a good time in the sand, water and sun. We didn't run out of food, but late coming vegans had little to eat. There was still plenty for the omnivores, and Betsy Gilpin, who sponsored this auction event, donated the left over sandwiches to Fill-a-Belly. Let that be a sign that more and more people are adopting a planet-friendly diet. Future Fellowship events will need to take that into consideration.



Mindful Nutrition, Digestion Wellness Sun, Sep 15 - Auction Item

Support UUFSD and make sense of the latest nutrition news as it applies to your own health "issues." You can experience Vicky Newman's Rancho La Puerta nutrition talks right here at UUFSD for a fraction of the cost of a trip to this historic spa. All classes will be held in Founders Hall on Sundays after the second service from 12:30-1:30 PM. Handouts with practical tips will be provided at each class. Auction--\$15/class or \$50/4 classes. More details about each class is available at <https://www.mindfulnutritionsolutions.com/class-descriptions>.

Digestion Wellness - Sunday, 9/15/19

Boosting Bone Health – Prevent Injury & Speed Healing – Sunday, 10/6/19

Heart Healthy Eating—A Changing Perspective – Sunday, 10/20/19

Food and Mood – The Nutrition Connection -- Sunday, 11/24/19



Willage Clothing Shop, Sunday, September 15

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Great Willage Swap in September. We shared some wonderful stuff with each other. We also helped clothe a Guatemalan family in Encinitas -- thanks to Robin Sales for making that connection. We supported the fellowship book-sale with many boxes of book donations. We brought a carload of donations to the Community Resource Center and we kept multiple other carloads out of landfills. We hope to continue this terrific hand-me-down swap tradition on the first and last day of RE classes every year.



Social Justice Testimonial

"Our recent participation in Fill A Belly Dinners, the Interfaith Shelter Network and CRC Holiday Baskets provide important ways of teaching the first two principles of Unitarian Universalism. At the last Fill-A-Belly dinner my children Jefferson and Quincy were able to play a game of catch with a young man who came for a meal. It was a great way to connect and help my kids relate to someone in need who showed us generosity as well. We look forward to finding more opportunities like this through UUFSD Social Justice Action."

Mike Lazarus



Repurposing With A Purpose

One of the responsibilities of privilege is to use our resources wisely. The Repurposing with a Purpose program takes “In Kind Donations” and repurposes them to families that can use them. Used Windows are built into a new home in Tijuana. Furniture turns an apartment into a home for someone that was previously homeless.



Our partnership with St. James Catholic Church provides us the storage sheds to hold items until they can be repurposed. We also collaborate with Birthline of San Diego, A Christian resource center, that helps low or no income families.

In July, one of the Birthline clients was able to furnish her new home. The client called Jeanne Hansen, the Director at Birthline, excited to tell her, “I have the keys to my first home in my hand and just had to tell you.” The family had been in a domestic violence safe house then transitional housing for several months. During this time, the client had saved enough to put a down payment on her first home. She put herself through a surgical technician program enabling her to have a meaningful career. Jeanne has guided and supported her through this process.

Now comes the repurposing part! Sheila was able to go “shopping” at the storage area. She selected a couch, beds, a crib, dressers, dining table, TV, lamps, drapes, bedding and all the kitchen items she could use to completely furnish her dream home. Without this resource this family would not have been able to furnish their home. **It was a real celebration**

for everyone!

Being able to support this family makes all the hours of doing pickups and moving furniture so rewarding. Thank you for keeping this program in mind when you have opportunities to repurpose items. If you ever want to help with other resources, money for gas or donate time please contact Kathy Faller at (858) 254-2008.

Capital Campaign Update

Have you noticed the story poles around the amphitheater? These were placed, as required, to allow our neighbors to comment on our proposed construction/improvement projects. We’ve heard no complaints. The latest revisions the city has requested were completed by the end of September. The next step is a meeting with the Solana Beach City Council to discuss any remaining issues, and then, hopefully, with the Coastal Commission agreeing, we should have our C.U.P. The major, and more expensive projects are still in the plans. These include adding: 21 more parking spaces in the main lot; a new kiosk containing better audio equipment; a changing room and two new restrooms; shade sails for the amphitheater; ADA compliant ramps to the stage; better access to the amphitheater from the parking lot; and finally, an enlarged administration office with a bathroom.

Ministerial Search Committee



Meet the members, From left to right; Nancy Hebert, Alisa Guralnick, Patricia Cofre-Stone, Sara Appleton-Knapp, Livia Walsh, John Atcheson and Mark Tuller

Search Timeline, 2019-2020

Beginning in the Fall 2019, the Search Committee and congregation will work together to self-evaluate our needs, desires, strengths, and weaknesses as a congregation. The main tools of this self-evaluation process are: 1) a Congregational Survey, 2) a series of small group discussion sessions known as Cottage Meetings and Focus Groups, and 3) a three-hour seminar called Beyond Categorical Thinking. All members and friends will be encouraged to attend and express their ideas.

By the end of November 2019, we must complete and publish our Congregational Record, which is our principal “résumé” for the search process, and includes information gleaned from the results of the three evaluation tools mentioned above. Our Congregational Record will be made available to potential ministers in search, describe ourselves and our area, and incorporate insights from the self-evaluation process.

In January 2020, the UUA will send the Search Committee the names and background on potential candidates who have expressed interest in UUFSD based on our Congregational Record. We will evaluate the potential candidates, check references, interview by video call, and decide if any are suitable pre-candidates.

By March 2020, we will have selected up to three suitable pre-candidates, each of whom we will host for a confidential weekend visit. The pre-candidates will tour our site and our area, meet extensively with the Search Committee, and preach a sample sermon at a so-called “neutral pulpit,” which is a UU church or fellowship somewhat similar to us in size.

At noon Eastern Time on April 2, 2020, all UU congregations in search for a settled minister will simultaneously extend offers to their single preferred candidate. That means our preferred candidate may receive multiple offers. It also means your Search Committee may not have located a suitable candidate and decided not to extend an offer.

By mid-April 2020, we will announce our final candidate, assuming we have one. By this time an employment contract will have been negotiated and the candidate will have given notice to the prior congregation.

In April or May 2020, “Candidating Week” will see the candidate visit UUFSD for a full week, meet with members, committees, staff, and area ministers. The candidate will preach two successive Sunday sermons at UUFSD for us to listen to. Following the second Sunday in which the candidate has preached, the Congregation will formally vote on whether or not to extend a call to the candidate to be our settled minister. Our by-laws call for 80% vote, but ministers typically prefer a 90% majority.

On August 1, 2020, if all goes well, our new settled minister will start work. If all has not gone well, we will remain in search.

Ministerial Search-Discerning Our Needs

Discerning Our Needs

It's a two-way street. Potential ministers are choosing us, as well as us choosing them. Under the UUA rules, there is a deep process for UUFSD as a congregation to introspect and self-evaluate so we can present our Fellowship honestly and completely to our future minister. What we learn from these steps will be reflected in our Congregational Record and in the Search Committee's actions.

Our Congregational Survey

Your Search Committee will prepare a survey that all members and friends are urged to complete, during the Fall of 2019. The responses weigh heavily in describing what kind of congregation we are and what we seek in a settled minister. Sample questions: What expectations, however unstated, do you have about the minister's family and personal life? How important are these various ministerial functions to you? (Administration, Preaching, Social Action, etc.)

Cottage Meetings

Your Search Committee is sponsoring 15 small group discernment and feedback sessions in the next few weeks, to allow everyone in the congregation to consider and discuss what we may need in a new minister. These "Cottage Meetings" are a key part of our search process designed to tell us who we are and what we need in a minister. Everyone will get the chance to express their ideas in a supportive setting about these open-ended topics, which we encourage you to think about in advance:

- Discovery (how did you find UUFSD?)
- The Future (what is your vision?)
- Challenges
- Ideal Minister

Beyond Categorical Thinking

We encourage everyone to attend this 3-hour seminar, created and delivered by the Unitarian Universalist Association as an important part of the search process. The seminar focuses on identifying unconscious aspects of categorical thinking that could prejudice the selection process—including race or color, gender, sexual orientation, cultural habits, disability, and so forth.

The Congregational Record

The Congregational Record is the key document describing and presenting our Fellowship to potential ministers. It covers a lot of ground in a format prescribed by the UUA—size, history, what we are like (warts and all), what we seek in a minister, and what we can afford to pay. It incorporates the learnings from the Congregational Survey and small group meetings. It must be completed by mid-November, then approved and published by the UUA on December 1, 2019.

Our Documents Package

By the time we identify potential candidates in January 2020, we will also have assembled a very large package of documents (in addition to our website and Congregational Record) for pre-candidates to study to get to know us thoroughly. The package will contain items such as 5 years of past budgets, examples of Orders of Service from many Sundays, a draft employment contract for the new minister, our by-laws and policies, and many other easy-to-find and hard-to-find pieces of paper.

Community Life

Ongoing Activities at UUFSD



Weekly Activities

Mindfulness Meditation: Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00 am, off campus.

livwalsh1@gmail.com

Freethinkers We Agnostics Recovery: Mondays, 6 pm, Palmer Library

weagnostics@uufsd.org

Insight Meditation: Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Founders Hall

nina.tomkiewicz@gmail.com

Buddhist Meditation: Thursdays, 5:30 pm, Palmer Library

ThursdayBuddhistMeditation@uufsd.org

Choir Rehearsals: Thursdays, 7 pm, Founders Hall (choir@uufsd.org) Does not meet in the summer.

Buddhist Meditation: Fridays, 10:30 am, Palmer Library

FridayBuddhistMeditation@uufsd.org

Rally for the Green New Deal: Fridays, 11:30 am, off campus. (Laura Colban at 858-692-2528)

Sunday Morning Discussion: Sundays, 9 am Core Area

SundayDiscussion@uufsd.org

Bi-Weekly Activities

Women of the World: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, Noon, locations vary (womensgroup@uufsd.org)

Buddhist Sangha: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Palmer Library (BuddhistSangha@uufsd.org)

Mens Group: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 pm, Palmer Library. Richard Macdonald : ridumac@yahoo.com

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Monthly Activities

Food Bank Volunteer Night: 1st Thursday of each month, off campus: (sara@saraohara.com)

Building & Grounds Work Party: Days vary, 9:00 am, Core Area. (Building&Grounds@uufsd.org)

Young Adults: 1st Sunday: 12:15 am, Core Area, (YoungAdults@uufsd.org)

Maker's Guild (arts & Crafts): 1st Sunday of each month, Founders Hall. (allison@uufsd.org)

Senior Discussion Group: 1st Sunday, 10 am, Founders Hall (SeniorDiscussion@uufsd.org)

Book Club: 2nd Monday, 7 pm, Palmer Library (BookClub@uufsd.org)

Showing Up For Racial Justice: 7:00 pm, Founders Hall. (socialjustice@uufsd.org)

Book Club: 3rd Thursday, 10 am, Palmer Library (BookClub@uufsd.org)

UUFSD Board Meeting: 3rd Tuesday, 1:30 pm, Minister's Office (board@uufsd.org)

Sacred Circles: Dates Vary, Times vary, Locations vary, (SacredCircles@uufsd.org)

Quarterly Meetings

Social Justice Quarterly Meeting: dates vary, (SocialJustice@uufsd.org)

The Impact of Global Warming On The Winter Olympics

Cartoon Curtesy of Ed Himelblau



Personal Growth & Interests



Buddhist Meditation Groups

UUFSD sponsors two Buddhist meditation groups . The Thursday group meets in the Palmer Library from 5:30-6:45 pm. The Friday morning group meets in the Palmer Library from 10:30 am to 11:45 am, with an optional meditation period from 10 to 10:30 am. For information on the Thursday Group, contact: ThursdayBuddhistMeditation@uufsd.org
For information on the Friday Group, contact: FridayBuddhistMeditation@uufsd.org

Insight Meditation

New for 2019

The focus of this group is traditional Buddhist topics such as the Four Noble Truths, the Eightfold Path, and the Hindrances. Meetings will be held in Founders Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 PM on Wednesdays starting on January 2nd . The format is 30 minute sitting Vipasina meditation (not guided), 30 minute Dharma talk (recorded) and 30 minute discussion. For information contact Dirk Reemtsma: dirkreem@gmail.com

Mindfulness Meditation

This group is for new meditators as well as for those who have established practices. There will be sitting and walking meditation practices as well as meditations with a particular focus including Loving Kindness and Compassion. Livia is ordained in the Mahayana traditions of Zen Buddhism and has also been a student of the Vajrayana traditions of Tibet. This group will meet off campus, on Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11 am, beginning January 2nd. All donations (dana) will be contributed to the UUFSD Social Justice Action Homeless Project. Contact Livia Walsh at livwalsh1@gmail.com for more information

Vipassana Buddhist Sangha & Day of Mindful Meditation

This Sangha meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the UUFSD Library. Each session will provide guided meditation instructions and discussion, a talk on Buddha's teachings, a question and answer time .

The Day of Mindful Meditation includes guided sitting and walking meditation. It is presented in a non-sectarian way. There is an interactive talk and questions and comments are welcome Contact Bob Isaacson at: buddhistsangha@uufsd.org



Personal Growth & Interests

Sunday Morning Discussion Group

This group meets on Sunday from 8:45 to 9:45 AM in the Patio area or Library. The group is open to anyone. Discussions range from current events, religious, philosophical, political musings and more. For additional information Contact: Larry Jones at SundayMorningDiscussionGroup@uufsd.org

Sacred Circles, Dates times and locations vary

There are four Sacred Circles at the Fellowship. Sacred Circles foster a safe and trusting small group community that delves deeper into the principles of Unitarian Universalism and shares challenges and opportunities for manifesting them in our daily life. The monthly Sacred Circle meetings begin in October and continue through May. We have facilitators who have generously offered their time and homes. Contact: Linda Pratt at sacredcircles@uufsd.org

Mens Groups

There are two mens groups at UUFSD. The focus of these groups is to build friendship, connection, support, self-awareness, and communications skills through authentic sharing. Because of the confidential nature of these groups, they are by invitation only and limited to members and pledging friends. Anyone interested in learning more about these groups should contact the groups' coordinator, Richard Macdonald, at MensGroup@uufsd.org

UUFSD Book Clubs

There are two Book Clubs at UUFSD. One meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Palmer Library. A second daytime book club meets on Thursdays at 10:00 am. Check the weekly newsletters for information on which books will be discussed at each session. Anyone who reads the selected book is welcome. Contact: Cathy Leach-Phillips at BookClub@uufsd.org

Women of the World Group

The WOW (Women of the World) discussion group meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month (12:00 – 1:30 PM). A member of the group hosts each meeting. That host chooses the subject for discussion. The group usually has lunch together at the host's home, a restaurant or UUFSD Library and occasionally takes a "field trip" together. New members are welcome. Contact: WomensGroup@uufsd.org

Daytimers Men's Group

The Day-timers Men's Group meets the third Friday of every month to share lunch and conversation. Your choice of topic! Join our friendly atmosphere and camaraderie. Meet at Roundtable Pizza, 1321 Encinitas Blvd., Encinitas. All you can eat pizza and salad bar. For further info contact John Drewe at sddrewe@gmail.com or 760-930-9881.



Looking Ahead



Serving With Grace, Every Wednesday in October, 6:30-8:00

Join Rev Thomas and Christie Turner in the Minister's Office "If spirituality is anything, it is everything. Those who think about their spiritual lives as somehow separate and distinct from the rest of their lives don't yet understand that spirituality is about wholeness." Learn to be effective and heartfelt in your communication, set boundaries, and build the beloved community of all of us.



Drew Mascot Singalong, Saturday, Oct 26, 4:00 pm, Founders Hall

Drew Mascot will get us singing with his lush and rhythmic piano accompaniment, as we sing favorite Broadway tunes, TV and movie themes, popular songs from the 50's, 60's, and 70's, as well as gospel and folk classics. Lyrics will be projected, so we'll all be 'in sync'!!



EJTF Presentation, Sun, October 27 12:30 pm Founders Hall

Nicole Capretz, Executive Director of the Climate Action Campaign, Capretz will speak about San Diego's Climate Action Plan, which passed in 2015. It is one of the most aggressive climate action plans in the US, with a binding commitment to eliminate half of all greenhouse gas emissions in the City and aims for all electricity used in the city to be from renewable sources by



7th Annual Sandy Hook Remembrance Vigil, Sunday, Dec 8, 4:30-6 :00 pm

The theme for this year is "Hope and Remembrance Looking forward". We will use this to focus on honoring the victims with hope and action. As we pause to honor the lives lost we will point to the ways we have changed the landscape of Gun Violence Prevention. Each of our 3 speakers will bring their perspective on the ways they have impacted GVP. Join us as we honor and look froward. Contact Steve Bartram at: blackbart7562@gmail.com for more information.



New Year's Day of Mindfulness Silent Retreat Wed, January 1, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm - Founders Hall

This will be a day for meditation, reflection, renewal, and simply Being. Livia Walsh will guide sitting, walking and eating meditations, as well as opportunities to practice Loving Kindness and Compassion for yourself, others and the earth.

Contact livwalsh1@gmail.com if you are planning to attend. Details to be provided.



Homeless Shelter at St James Catholic Church Solana Beach Monday through Sunday, January 19 - 26.

Our Fellowship will participate in providing dinners and chaperoning homeless individuals and families at St James Catholic Church in Solana Beach.