

# The Weekly Bulletin

March 20/22, 2015

## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK:**

### **It's Not Lunch...It's Brunch!!!!**

Sunday | 3/22 | after the 10:00 am Service

The Unitarian Universalist Leeward Ohana Group will be providing Brunch. While Ron and Mark are unable to be there, UULOG's own Jon and Kaitlynn Larsen will be doing the cooking.

Stay and enjoy a wonderful meal. Leave the cooking to UULOG. (Charlotte Morgan)

### **Have something for the Newsletter or Weekly Bulletin?**

Have Announcements, Photos, Artwork, Short Poems/Prose, or other pieces (50-100 words) to add to the Newsletter or *Weekly Bulletin*?

Newsletter Copy to Margaret Mann ([FUCH-Newsletter-Team@googlegroups.com](mailto:FUCH-Newsletter-Team@googlegroups.com))

Weekly Bulletin copy to Katy Launert ([FUCH-Weekly-Bulletin-Team@googlegroups.com](mailto:FUCH-Weekly-Bulletin-Team@googlegroups.com))

### **Deadline Reminder:**

For the *Weekly Bulletin*, every Tuesday at Noon;

For the *Church Newsletter*: every Fourth Sunday at Noon. (Katy Launert)

### **Announcement: Rev. Jonipher's Resignation**

Rev. Jonipher announced his resignation effective June 30, 2015 for family reasons. For the full text, please go to [unitariansofhi.org/resignation](http://unitariansofhi.org/resignation). Please mark your calendars for Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 11:30 as we mark this transition in the life of our church and honor our time together.

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

### **General Assembly**

6/24-28 | Portland, Oregon Convention Center

So far, a record 18 members from our congregation will be attending General Assembly this year as we join thousands of Unitarian Universalists from other parts of the country and indeed the world to celebrate the power of our faith and movement. It's not too late to register. Go to [www.uua.org/ga](http://www.uua.org/ga) and sign up and get ready to be inspired. (Rev. Jonipher)

## **Book Discussion Group**

Wednesday | 4/1 | 7:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

We will discuss *Behind The Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo. She tells the story, based on years of uncompromising reporting, of families striving for a better life in a makeshift settlement near the Mumbai Airport.

Wednesday | 5/6 | 7:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

We will discuss *My Beloved World* by Sonia Sotomayor. This autobiography is by the first Hispanic woman to be appointed as a justice to the United States Supreme Court. (Roger Wickenden)

## **OPPORTUNITIES:**

### **Coming Soon... Artwork in the Sanctuary**

The Gallery on the Pali has completed its quarterly selection from among submitted art pieces using its newly minted guidelines to ensure appropriateness for our sanctuary and fairness in our selection. The two pieces will be hung sometime in late March and will be on loan through June 2015. Please contact a Gallery Team member for detailed submittal and selection information. (Betsy Brandt)

### **Chalice Circles: Hawaii Kai Sprouts a Second Chalice Circle!**

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The Hawaii Kai Chalice Circle expanded rapidly so starting in April, there will be two groups. Newcomers may choose to join the group meeting on second and fourth Mondays or on second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 6:30-8:30pm.

If you want to go beyond small talk and be part of a connected, compassionate and caring group, there is a Chalice Circle waiting to welcome you. Membership requires commitment to regular attendance through June 2015.

Besides Hawaii Kai, there are Chalice Circles in Kaka'ako, Kaimuki, Honolulu town, Ewa Beach & Waianae. Meeting dates & times vary.

Here's what participants say about Chalice Circles:

*"Participating in a Chalice Circle has been an opportunity to connect with people on a deep level that I had never really experienced besides with my husband and a few close friends. It has added a whole new dimension to my experience with the UU Church and I really look forward to our bi-monthly gatherings."* Lee Curran

*"Our chalice circle is an immersion in the life stories and wisdom of others with an intimacy I could never get ordinarily. It has provided me insight, balance, and even joy and I have been awarded some of the most meaningful interactions I've had through this Church."* Dawn Shin

Interested? Contact Carla or Heather. (Carla Allison)

### **AmazonSmile Donations**

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to First Unitarian Church of Honolulu whenever you shop on Amazon. If you are someone who uses Amazon regularly or just once in a while, please go to <http://unitariansofhi.org/amazon> and sign up. The Church will receive a donation whenever you make an order! (Jennifer Kane)

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER:**

Contact Katie Ackerman | 595-4047 | [RE@unitariansofhi.org](mailto:RE@unitariansofhi.org)

### **Zoo Social Day**

Saturday | 3/21 | 10:00 am | Honolulu Zoo

If you are available and would like to join us, we will be gathering this Saturday at the Honolulu Zoo. Each family will be responsible for their own admission and lunch. I will be there with my family; hope to see you and yours! Please RSVP to this email if you would like to join us, so that we know to watch for you.

Plan:

10:00 am -- meet out front, enter and visit some animals

12:00 pm -- Gather at the playground for lunch

12:30 (or after lunch) continue visit or depart, as works for you

### **Child Dedication and FUN FAIR**

Sunday | 3/22 | 10:00 am Service

March 22nd will be a wonderful and exciting day celebrating our children! Several children and their families will participate in a Dedication ceremony during the Main Service and afterward all children are invited to come play in the bounce house and fun fair activities outside. Fourth Sunday brunch will provide nourishment, so plan now to come play YOUR role in supporting our children and families. Please be extra cautious driving in and out of Church that day and, if possible, park in one of our alternate locations to keep the grounds as open as possible (Jack Lane is a good option).

Also, donations are welcome to "fun"d the Fun Fair; see Katie at [RE@unitariansofhi.org](mailto:RE@unitariansofhi.org).

And on into the future . . .

### **Easter Egg Decorating**

Sunday | 3/29 | 11:30 am | Meeting Room 1

If you feel so inclined, feel free to join me upstairs in Room 1 at 11:30 to decorate Easter eggs. Potluck your lunch. Parents/adults will need to stay with their children. Supplies provided, but bring your own if you want to contribute. Some of these eggs will be used during Easter, and some will be take-home mementos of Easter 2015.

### **Easter Fun and Photos**

Easter Sunday | 4/5 | Church Grounds

On Easter Sunday, First Unitarian Church of Honolulu Religious Education will be holding a fundraising event: a photographer to capture families in their Easter Sunday best! For a suggested donation of \$20 your family can get their picture taken and will be emailed the images. Kristine Castagnaro has generously offered her fantastic and professional photography services. Last year's photos proved to be great fun, and a wonderful time to catch everyone together and looking their best! Reservations will be made on a first come, first photo'd basis, so please RSVP to [RE@unitariansofhi.org](mailto:RE@unitariansofhi.org). Families of every age and size are welcome!

### **Vacuum Cleaner to Donate?**

RE is looking for a working vacuum cleaner to keep upstairs. If you would like to donate one, please contact Katie at [RE@unitariansofhi.org](mailto:RE@unitariansofhi.org).

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:**

Contact: Susan Lebo | 595-4047 | [sjc@unitariansofhi.org](mailto:sjc@unitariansofhi.org)

### **Annual Food Drive Starts THIS SUNDAY!**

Four Sundays | 3/22 through 4/12

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IT IS TIME for the First Unitarian Annual Food Drive, to help ensure that no one in our Hawaii 'Ohana goes hungry. Hawaii Foodbank Most Wanted Items include: (1) Financial Contributions, (2) Canned Protein, (3) Canned Meals, (4) Canned Vegetables, (5) Canned Fruits, (6) Rice. Let's talk 300 pounds of food and \$3000. The Foodbank can distribute 25 meals for \$10, so \$3000 makes 7,500 meals possible! Please, Get Your Cans to Church this Sunday! (Susan Lebo)

### **Two Resolutions Filed with the Legislature**

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The Progressive Interfaith 'Ohana for Hawaii (PI'O) now has two Resolutions before the State Legislature. One Reso requests the Governor and Legislature to sign the Charter for Compassion, see <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2015/bills/HR68> .PDF.

The other Reso requests a Task Force to Address Economic Opportunities for Poverty Reduction, see <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2015/bills/HR89> .PDF.

YOU ARE INVITED to read these Resos as we prepare to support them. You are also invited to go to <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/pio> and subscribe to The Arc, the weekly PI'O message, to stay informed on these matters. (Susan Lebo)

### **Monday Movie Nights**

Every Monday night | 7:00 pm

Contact: Call 436-4326 for movie info.

YOU ARE INVITED to Monday Movie Night @ Fresh Cafe Downtown, 1111 Nuuanu Ave. Every week features a different movie, many of them local, all of them entertaining, socially aware, and only \$5. Monday Movie Night is programmed by Don Brown, executive producer for Hawaii's Reel Stories on OC16, and co-sponsored by the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu to build social awareness and grassroots community through local Artist-Resident-Business-Faith collaborations. (Susan Lebo)

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE COUNCIL – April Meeting**

Next Meeting: Thursday 4/16 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

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The Social Justice Council meets on the third Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Fred Harper Room. All visitors welcomed. See <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/> for information about the Social Justice Ministry of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu. (Susan Lebo)