

The Weekly Bulletin

April 3/5, 2015

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Meetings with Joshua Searle-White, Pacific Central District

Sunday | 4/5 | 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Sanctuary

Tuesday | 4/7 | 7:00 – 9:00 pm | Sanctuary

Contact: Nancy Schildt | 225-2744 | nschildt707@gmail.com

The purposes of the meetings will be to support leadership and the congregation in the goodbye process with Reverend Jonipher; to assist in the discernment about the congregation's path after Reverend Jonipher leaves; and to provide general information about the process of searching for a settled minister. Childcare will be provided for the Sunday night meeting.

To schedule time to meet with Josh or find out about other team-specific meetings contact Nancy Schildt. (Nancy Schildt)

Gallery on the Pali New Exhibit

3/22 - 4/23 | T-F 10:00 am - 6:00 pm & S/S 2:00 - 6:00 pm

Artists Reception: Saturday | 4/4 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

“Thoughts Enter Your Head” Photographs on aluminum by Herb Burgess

The work on display will be vibrant images captured by the artist while in motion. Often we think of the photograph as a freeze frame that captures a moment of time. This artist captures moments while he is in motion. Moving the camera as an image is recorded modifies the way light enters his lens and the way images are recorded.

Come view these unique photographs on glass starting March 22nd. The Gallery Committee is pleased to share this work with you!

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)

Weekly Bulletin copy to Katy Launert (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)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Next UULOG Service

Saturday | 4/11 | 5:00 pm | Island Pacific Academy (IPA), Kapolei
Contact: Charlotte Morgan | 343-0137 | lottefish@msn.com

Unitarian Universalist Leeward Ohana Group (UULOG) will have another dynamic and exciting Service. Rev. Jonipher will talk about the Mind/Body Connection and of course, we will have our famous Potluck after the Service. Come on over to the Leeward Side. You will be pleasantly surprised. (Charlotte Morgan)

ET Here Next Sunday

Sunday | 4/12 |

Are you an Alaka'i, or a Bridge Builder or an Involvement Mentor? Next Sunday, April 12th all of these critical roles within the Engagement Team (ET) will be thoroughly explained. We are all part of the Engagement Team. All of us are responsible for forging dynamic connections among our Visitors, Friends and FUCH Members. (Charlotte Morgan)

Common Read 2015 – UUA Book Study!

Sundays | 4/12, 4/19, and 4/26 | 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Contact: Liz Flannery | lizflannery@gmail.com | 774-571-1421

YOU ARE INVITED to a UUA Common Read Book Study. In “Reclaiming Prophetic Witness: Liberal Religion in the Public Square,” Paul Razor asserts that conservative Christianity is not the only valid religious voice in our national social policy. He includes contemporary insights from our liberal religious theological heritage and calls us to prophetic, faith-based justice work.

Please see <http://www.uua.org/re/multigenerational/read> for more info about the annual UUA Common Read. This Book Study will be limited to 15 participants, so don't wait to contact Liz and sign up! Childcare will be organized by the group if requested. This Study is co-sponsored by the Worship and Social Justice Programs. (Liz Flannery)

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 and sign up and get ready to be inspired. (Rev. Jonipher)

Book Discussion Group

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:

ET Is Coming Home...

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Charlotte Morgan lottefish@msn.com | Martina Queenth martinaq@juno.com

ET, the new Engagement Team will be coming to our Beloved Church on April 19th. The Engagement Team, formerly Membership, arrives with a renewed determination to forge dynamic connections among Visitors, Friends, and FUCH Members. We know that connections, folks working together to fulfill our bold mission, will produce transformation. All of us, the entire Congregation, are part of the Engagement Team. YEAH TEAM!!!!

Contact any of our ET Chairs to get a head start on making connections. (Charlotte Morgan)

Chalice Circles Continue to Expand!

Contact: Carla Allison | cbm@hawaii.rr.com | 396-1488

Heather Lemkelde | hlemkelde@gmail.com | 462-7860

New Chalice Circles are sprouting and participation is growing. Newcomers are always welcome and may choose to join one of six groups. If you want to go beyond small talk and be part of a connected, compassionate and caring community, there is a Chalice Circle waiting to welcome you. Membership requires commitment to regular attendance twice each month through June 30, 2015.

Here's what participants are saying about Chalice Circles:

"Being new to this UU community and to Honolulu I feel grateful and amazed by the beauty and simplicity of the Chalice Circle program. It's been a wonderful experience and opportunity to get to know people, and to grow with them in community." Judith Clark

"Chalice Circles are a delightful way to share our stories, uninterrupted through deep listening, and a way for us to get to know and relate to one another on a new level." Helen Slaughter

Chalice Circle Options

Mondays (2nd & 4th) Hawaii Kai 6:30-8:30pm

Tuesdays (2nd & 4th) Kaimuki 10:00-12:00pm

Wednesdays (2nd & 4th) Waianae 2:00-4:00pm

Wednesdays (2nd & 4th) Hawaii Kai 6:30-8:30pm

Thursdays (1st & 3rd) Kakaako 6:30-8:30pm

Thursdays (2nd & 4th) Ewa Beach 6:30-8:30pm

Mahalo to our awesome Facilitator Team: Carla Allison, Meghan Hughes Bundtzen, David Kearns, Jeff Kim, Heather Lemkelde, Martina Queenth, Connie Winterstein, and Sue Yamane-Carpenter

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

Easter Fun and Photos

On Easter Sunday (April 5th) FUCH RE 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. Families at every stage of life are welcome!

Childcare Provided for Sunday, April 5th's 6:00 pm FUCH Meeting

There is a congregational meeting addressing the way forward for Ministerial leadership following our minister's departure; childcare will be provided in the Infant/Toddler room from about 5:45 pm to the close of the meeting.

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Contact: Susan Lebo | 595-4047 | sjc@unitariansofhi.org

Annual Food Drive Continues THIS SUNDAY!

Four Sundays | 3/22 - 4/12

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The First Unitarian Annual Food Drive is ON. We have raised over \$1250 to date! Let's talk \$3000 and 300 pounds of canned goods by Sunday April 12th.

Hawaii Foodbank Most Wanted Items include: (1) Financial Contributions, (2) Canned Protein, (3) Canned Meals, (4) Canned Vegetables, (5) Canned Fruits, (6) Rice. Please visit the Food Drive Table in the Gallery and help to ensure that no one in our Hawaii 'Ohana goes hungry! (Susan Lebo)

Two Resolutions Filed with the Legislature

Contact: Susan Lebo | 595-4047 | sjc@unitariansofhi.org

The Progressive Interfaith 'Ohana for Hawaii (PI'O) supports 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 if/when they receive hearings. 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)

TAX DAY PEACE VIGIL

Contact: Renie Lindley | 783-7577 | renie.lindley@yahoo.com

Wednesday | 4/15 | 4:00 - 5:30 pm | Downtown Post Office on Richards Street

YOU ARE INVITED to the annual Tax Day Peace Vigil on Wednesday, April 15th, on the lawn in front of the Downtown Post Office on Richards Street.

One difference between spending on perpetual war and spending on things that you are thousands of times more likely to die from, e.g., heart disease, cancer, domestic gun or police violence, alcoholism, suicide, automobile or workplace accidents, contaminated food or water, poverty, greed, anger, and ignorance, is that spending on these actually decreases their likelihood as causes of death. Where do you want your tax dollars to go? (Steve Lohse)

Social Justice Program – APRIL MEETING

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

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The mission of the Social Justice Program is to engage (1) our Congregation inwardly in social action through Church Programs and (2) our Community outwardly in social action as a Church. The Social Justice Council supports Program leadership inwardly and provides primary leadership for responsible and effective social action outwardly. Our Congregation always needs leadership for social action, both within our Programs and into our Community!

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