



The Communitarian

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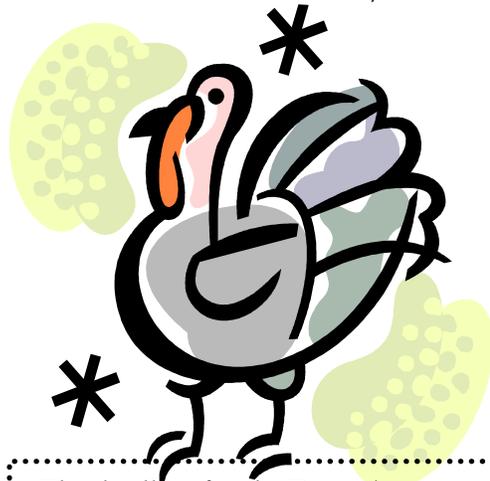
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The deadline for the December issue of *The Communitarian* is December 20th. Submit your input to office@communityuu.org

November 2~

“Day of the Dead – Celebrating Lives”

Speaker: Rev. Garner

Today we will remember and honor our relatives and loved ones who have passed. Everyone, including children, are encouraged to bring something that a departed loved one liked – such as photos, favorite foods, books, toys, or flowers. There will be an opportunity in the service for everyone to share.

Rev. Garner is visiting us as a candidate for our next half-time minister who would be located in the Tri-Cities. Please join us for the service and an opportunity to visit with Rev. Garner during Souper Sunday after the service.

Rev. Garner has a Bachelors in Music Education, a Masters in Linguistics/English as a Second Language, and a Masters of Divinity from Meadville Lombard Theological School, a UU seminary (2009). She has taught school on the Navajo Indian Reservation and been a bus driver in Chicago, among other life experiences prior to entering the ministry. She was ordained at Third Unitarian of Church of Chicago and the Unitarian Church of Hinsdale where she has served as sabbatical and intern minister, respectively. She has been a minister at Unitarian Universalists of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick, GA.

Worship Associate: Mike Truex

Musician: Ellen Fillion

November 9~

“Taking It Lightly”

Speaker: Rev. Simons

We take things seriously, get bent out of shape, sometimes get bogged down and grim. And there are plenty of reasons. But let’s take some time to lighten up!

Grace Simons is Minister Emeritus of the UU Fellowship of Stanislaus County in California and previously served High Country UU Fellowship in Colorado. Grace is a graduate of UC Berkeley and received her Masters of Divinity from Star King School for the Ministry. She currently serves as a UU Ministers Association Coach and is a member of Woodinville UU Church.

Worship Associate: Alex Emig

Musician: Fran Handy

November 16~

“Urban Poets Society”

Speaker: Jordan Chaney and members of the Urban Poets Society

Through soul expressions, such as poetry, the Urban Poets Society (UPS) is giving voice to youth so they can become the change they wish to see in the world. Together with the UPS, we will explore themes of community, overcoming challenges, and love and relationships in an interactive, intergenerational service.

Worship Associate: Mike & Shannon Truex

Musician: Mike & Shannon Truex

November 23~

“The Spirit of Giving and Being Grateful”

Speaker: CUUC Members

Unitarian Universalists are significant contributors to social justice causes. These contributions include the work of the UU Service Committee, which we traditionally support at this time through the “Guest at Your Table” program. As we move into a season focused on giving and gratitude, it’s worthwhile to consider how these actions affect our lives and our world.

Worship Associate: Mike Truex

Musician: Ellen Fillion

November 30~

“The Alternative Gift Fair, Giving with a Purpose”

Speaker: Diane Reed, Teresa Robertson, and AGF participants

Join us to celebrate the Alternative Gift Fair, which over 7 years has raised \$100,000 for charities. This is the annual event where CUUC gives back to the community. We’ll look at the fair’s history, hear how the money raised benefits the participating organizations, and get ourselves excited for the fair on December 6!

Worship Associate: Diane Reed

Musician: Ellen Fillion

President

From the President!

Respectfully Submitted by Dave Comstock



Minister Transition: The Selection Team has been very busy this fall and November is lined up to be a big month in our transition process. Our first candidate will visit with us at the end of October and give the November 2 sermon. Please come and enjoy Rev. Garner's sermon. November is also the start of the UUA fall minister placement process. UUA will hopefully match new candidates with our congregation. More to come soon.

Generosity: CUUC has now opened a stock brokerage account with Waddell & Reed Financial Advisors. Donation of appreciated stock is a win, win gift to CUUC (no capital gains taxes and the full amount is tax deduction). Craig Bolling is our advisor and friend of one of the board members and can be reached at 509-737-1698 to help you through the process. Thank you.

Lakota Wisdom passed down from White Buffalo Calf Woman: Friend whatever you do in life, do the very best you can with both your heart and mind.

And if you do it that way, the Power of the Universe will come to your assistance, if your heart and mind are in Unity.

When one sits in the Hoop of the People, one must be responsible because All of Creation is related. And the hurt of one is the hurt of all. And the honor of one is the honor of all. And whatever we do effects everything in the universe.

If you do it that way - that is, if you truly join your heart and mind as one - whatever you ask for, that's the Way It's Going To Be.

May the Spirit of Love surround you everywhere you may go!
David Comstock

Religious Education Children & Youth



RE Children's Program

During outdoor activities this Fall, kids in the religious education program created stepping stones and built gnome homes. A tour of the vegetable garden will reveal a path of beautifully decorated concrete stones as well as an elaborate and enchanting world of gnomes. The kids also planted penstemon in the native plant garden. Next spring, two species—one red and one blue—will bloom.

On the heels of the Harvest Festival and Halloween, November RE will begin with separate classes for the elementary (K-5) and middle school groups. The K-5 group will explore the Day of the Dead while Middle Schoolers take a journey into the Twilight Zone. Next, K-5 kids will find their rhythm and use instruments to create music while the Middle Schoolers discuss real and perceived threats in our world today. Halfway through the month, we will gather together for an interactive intergenerational church service with members of the Urban Poets Society. The K-5 group will follow this with an exploration of what it means to leave a legacy while Middle Schoolers get to know themselves through journaling and drawing. The groups will combine at the end of the month for free play and crafts.

Participating in children's religious education (RE) as a mentor or assistant is a fun way to

contribute to community as well as a way to foster warm relationships across the generations. High Schoolers are also welcome to join and assist in the fun throughout the month.

If you are interested in participating in RE as a mentor, assistant, or guest, please contact Shannon Hays-Truex at mike.shannon.truex@gmail.com.

November 2

K-5: *Day of the Dead*

Middle School: *Twilight Zone*

November 9

K-5: *Making Music Together*

Middle School: *What Frightens You?*

November 16

Intergenerational Service: *Urban Poets Society*

November 23

K-5: *What is Your Legacy?*

Middle School: *More Getting to Know Yourself*

November 30

K-5/Middle School: *Games and Seasonal Crafts*

become our communities new Minister. Please come Sunday to meet her, to listen to her and to mingle for soup & conversation after the service. Reverend Garner will be meeting with the board and other committee's during the weekend. Please contact any Search Committee Member if you have questions!

BAKE SALE!!

We will be having a bake sale at the Alternative Gift Fair again this year so please sign up to bake, package and sell. Thanks,
Jo Lindenmeier 586-3451

Hospitality

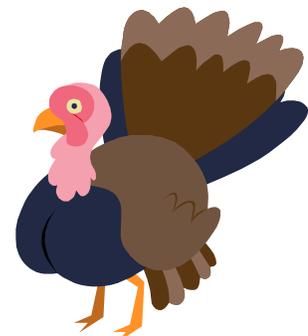
Souper Sunday!
November 2, 2014



Calling all SoupChefs: Souper Sunday is November 2! Many thanks to all our participants!

Green Sanctuary

No New News!



Board & Committee News

Sunday November 2nd

The Reverend Lynn Garner will be visiting us from Georgia. The Ministerial Search Committee is bringing her here as a possible candidate to

Hands & Heart



The Hands and Hearts Committee would like to remind you that we are here to help, not just for big events where we all cry or laugh, but also for the little things as well. We are here to help you out in any way we can. You can seek us out at church (our name tags have the heart stickers) or call us up at home. (If one of us doesn't answer, keep on trying other numbers). If you know of somebody who needs looked in on, or if you want to discuss your own situation, please give us a ring. Bev is our card person, if you know someone who needs to receive a Get-Well Card, Sympathy card, etc. please contact her.

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Women's Luncheon!

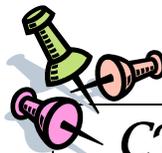
Tuesday, November 18,
@12:00p.m.



The Women's Luncheon Group will meet at CUUC on November 18 at noon. Please join us in the Meeting Room and bring a dish to share. If you been reading some interesting books, or traveling to some interesting places, bring your stories to share. If you haven't come for a while, we would love to see you again. Our potlucks are always interesting, and sometimes pretty fabulous.

Hope to see you there.

Sharon Faletti (375-0467)



CUUC Bulletin Board

Alternative Gift Fair Turns 8!

Mark your calendars: Saturday Dec. 6th
We are close to final determination of the charities for this year's Alternative Gift Fair. We should have the flyers ready and at church for everyone to distribute by the 1st week of November, and the sign-up sheet out for volunteering to help. Please come and help CUUC make this another great year for the charities who will be participating. There are many ways to help and the day is always a joy--music, crafts, bake sale and lots of activity! We topped the \$100,00 mark in 2013--let's see where we go this year!

Men's Group

New member Fred Dunhour is seeking to gauge the interest in establishing a Men's Group. (*Why should the gals have all the fun?*) The idea being that the interested men of the church and others, would meet one evening a month on a regular schedule, for conversation, a meal, and perhaps a

beverage or two. A first meeting would be anticipated in January. Please e-mail Fred (fred.dunhour@mindspring.com) or leave a message at 208-522-4657, to express your interest and to share your thoughts and questions.



Other News

3~Rivers Folklife Society Concert

Date: November 15, 2014

Where: Community UU Church

Time: 7:30p.m.

Tickets: At the door or Bookworm!