



# The InterCom

The Newsletter of Foothills Unitarian Church

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## Unitarian Universalism

doesn't really care one whit whether you're an atheist, a theist, agnostic, Buddhist, Pagan or Barnes-&-Noble-ite.

Our question for you is whether your atheism, theism, Paganism, Buddhism, or Barnes-&-Noble-ism leads you to connection, leads you to listen to your deepest self, be open to life's gifts, and serve needs greater than your own.

In other words, do your beliefs help you connect to self, life and others?

*The Rev. Kaaren Anderson*

## Sunday services in October, 2011 9:00 & 11 A.M.

### October 2 Service Theme: "Issues in Immigration"

On this **all-church Sunday**, we'll consider, from a variety of perspectives, the current, heated American debate on immigration. Our own Social Justice Council, echoing concerns voiced by the Unitarian Universalist Association and other religious groups, has asked us to pay special attention to the various points of view in contention. In addition, we'll look at American immigration from a historical perspective, to shed light on our present.

### October 9: Sermon: "This Is Real...And You Are Completely Unprepared"

The intriguing title has been surgically removed from the book of the same name by Alan Lew, sometimes referred to as "The Zen Rabbi," and finds its place in our church year just as the annual Jewish High Holy Days are coming to an end. We'll reflect together on the universal themes of transformation and unpreparedness, both of which should have relevance for each of us. I will introduce, albeit briefly, material from and about *Kabbalah*, the mystical tradition in Judaism which has been rediscovered by people of all faiths over the last decade.

### October 16 :VISITOR'S SUNDAY- Sermon: "Strangers in a Strange Land"

(but attuned to present church members and friends as well!!)

Annually our Membership Committee organizes a Visitor's Sunday as we invite you to invite a friend, neighbor, or family member who might be interested in attending one of our unique services. The sermon this year, "Strangers in a Strange Land," is suitable for **all of us**, as well as any visitors who might attend. An added bonus: our Adult Choir will be providing special music!

### October 23: Sermon: "Are You A Hedgehog Or A Fox?"

Yes, it is a very odd title, but the subject matter should intrigue, because we'll be considering two major and radically different ways of viewing the world. Based on a now famous 1953 essay by the late philosopher Isaiah Berlin, the sermon will explore the importance of this paradigm in our daily lives. "The fox knows many things, but the hedgehog knows one big thing." Which are you, a hedgehog or a fox? And how does Unitarian Universalism fit into this archetype?

### October 30: Sermon: "Why Satan Matters"

On this **all-church Sunday** and our annual recognition of the Day of the Dead, we invite you to bring an object to place on our altar honoring the memory of someone important to you. After the children leave for their classes, we will discuss a Cosmic Being often left unmentioned in liberal faith communities. But really...Satan matters more than ever today.

## MARC MY WORDS

Our start up breakfast this year featured a series of wonderful 20th anniversary surprises which has left me feeling humbled and deeply appreciative of the thoughtfulness and generosity of this congregation. Your kind words and beautiful gifts made the morning memorable and moving, and I thank all of you who worked so hard to plan the celebration, and to keep it a secret from Vicki and me! It was a morning I will always treasure.



We're looking at a new church year now, and I'm anticipating with pleasure a continuation of the elements that contribute to the vitality of our church, as well as innovations that will improve upon the success we're already enjoying. One enduring aspect of our faith community is the willingness of church members and friends to work especially hard for that success. This August, one of the hottest on record, saw our rummage sale team of many workers unloading, sorting, arranging, pricing, selling, and then cleaning up after it all! We raised more than \$19,000, which I believe must be approaching a record as well. In really miserable weather, I saw no one lose their cool (sorry!) or give less than 100%. I find this annual abundant festival of giving- of rummage, of time, of sweat, of hard work and sometimes heavy lifting- humbling and inspiring.

As I write this our Committee on Ministry is hard at work seeking to lay the groundwork for the hiring of a new Assistant Minister. As we've outlined to the congregation previously, this will be a Board-hired minister with a renewable yearly contract. Few of our congregations seek to "call" their Assistant Minister, a lengthy and expensive process now usually reserved for the Senior Minister position. Instead, the "hire" process allows us to move more quickly with a smaller expenditure of funds for the search. Our Assistant Minister **WILL NOT** be eligible to MOVE INTO THE SENIOR MINISTER POSITION UPON MY RETIREMENT. My successor will be a "called" minister, brought to our church following a nation-wide search, a congregational survey of needs, and an interim minister. There are very good reasons for following this plan, which we'll share with you over the next few months.

One important point: much of the discussion of hiring an Assistant Minister has been cast under the heading of "helping Marc." It's not that I don't need all the help I can get, and I'm sure another minister here will indeed help me. However, the best reason to hire an assistant is to better fulfill aspects of ministry I have not been able to carry out to my own satisfaction- more pastoral care, small group ministry, including revitalizing our covenant groups, a different and unique voice and presence in the pulpit and in the conduct of Sunday morning services, another eye on church organization and structure, more outreach to more folks in our church, and much more. An Assistant Minister should ease my burden a bit, yes, but the real and abiding reason to hire this individual is to make our great church even better!

Yours in our shared ministry, and for another year of church life, Marc

## **President's Message**

## **Joan Woodbury, Board President**

This year our church is participating in the Common Read program. This is similar to the "Fort Collins Reads" project: Everyone reads the same book and participates in informal or formal discussion groups. Common Read is a program begun by the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) to spotlight how books can open hearts and minds, influence public debate and change the world. *The Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona-Mexico Borderlands* by Margaret Regan was chosen by the UUA and our Social Justice Council as the Common Read book. It describes the work of the Border Patrol and the humanitarian group *No More Deaths*, a ministry of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson. Our Social Justice Council is offering book discussions on October 25 and 27. I encourage you to read this book and attend a discussion. The Social Justice Council is also offering a six-week immigration study group beginning October 9.

Next year's **General Assembly** (annual meeting of UU congregations) is being held in Phoenix, Arizona. The location was chosen prior to Arizona's passage of SB 1070, which is the nation's broadest and strictest anti-immigration law (rivaled recently by Georgia's). At the UU General Assembly in 2010 delegates voted whether to boycott Arizona in 2012 or go to Phoenix to increase their understanding of this difficult issue, bear witness and make a difference. They chose the latter. The General Assembly in Phoenix has been named "Justice General Assembly." Programming and social action will deal with immigration both specifically and in a broader context of human rights and justice. It's an important issue and a topic of conversation in many UU churches. Read the book! Join the discussion!



## MUUMs (Mostly UU Moms)

MUUMs (Mostly UU Moms) invites all moms to share some laughter, tears and insights in a supportive setting. We gather on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the Triple RE room in the Religious Education building. Child-care is now provided! Just bring the children on over. Group socializing at 6:30 p.m., discussion at 7:00pm.

**October 11** – Let's talk about sex (books). Bring your favorite sex books for a fun and open discussion. Wine and chocolate will be served.

**October 25** – Get your creative juices flowing with Collage and Artsy Journaling! Have fun mixing different materials on the page. No skill or experience necessary. Bring colorful, interesting magazines to cut up. Or just bring yourself and chat!

## Health Care Action Team

### State Sen. Aguilar to speak in Fort Collins

State Senator Dr. Irene Aguilar (D-Denver), will speak in Fort Collins on **Saturday, October 1, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** at the Coloradoan Community Room, 1300 Riverside Ave.

The public is welcome to attend. This talk is the first stop on a statewide tour. Dr. Aguilar will talk about health care legislation she plans to introduce in the next legislative session. Come and hear all about it! The program is sponsored by Health Care for All Colorado.

Dr. Aguilar represents Senate District 32. She is also past president of Health Care for All Colorado. In the 2011 session, Dr. Aguilar sponsored Senate Bill 168, which called for the design of a health care cooperative for Colorado.



### *This year's Fantastic, "How do we do it?", "Did you see what someone donated?" Our Annual Rummage Sale was our best one, yet!*

We couldn't do it without all the great people who volunteered to make it happen (before, during and after the Sale), those who donated items, and everyone who then bought them back! Our Net (after expenses) Income stands at \$19,165! That's a lot of money! And most of it was made from sales of items under \$3.00 – lots of items under \$3.00!

In case you didn't know, the Rummage Sale does more than just raise money for the Church. We help multiple organizations by offering unsold items free-of-charge to local non-profits. This year, the list included Habitat for Humanity (furniture), The Raptor Program (linens), Mary's Closet (men's clothes), Homeless Gear (camping equipment, shoes & clothing), The Bright Red Bookshelf (children's books), the AAUW (books), Los Pobres (children's clothing & shoes), Discovery Center (electronics for "Take-Apart-Day"), Elderhaus (craft supplies), Brand Spanking Used (a variety), ReSource (building materials), Lights for Life (electronics), and The Salvation Army (all usable items that are left).

**So, Thank-You!** You who saved, carried, drove, moved, stacked, folded, organized, priced, cashiered, managed, bought and cleaned during the hot days of August.... You made it happen! (Have you started your "save it for the next Rummage Sale" stash, yet?)

**The Rummage Sale Committee:** Pam Stevens (Chair), Marge Boehner, Kerri South, Ben Manvel, Kay Hood, Sue Ferguson, David Vancil, Kate Bolster, Lil Price, Hugh Price, Mary Rundquist, Marilyn Geist, Cynthia Swatek, Myrna De Milt, and Eve Enright.

# Social Justice

## Immigration as a Moral Issue

This is your opportunity to get involved & learn more about immigration, the Unitarian Universalist Association's 2010- 2014 Congregational Study/Action Issue. At Foothills The Social Justice Council will offer you a variety of ways to be involved this fall.



### COMMON READ

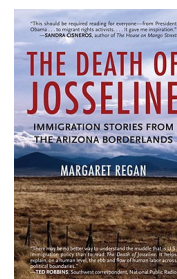
This fall, our church will read & discuss the same book, creating an opportunity for reflection, conversation and discernment as we decide how we wish to respond and act, in light of what we discover together.

### READ

#### The Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona-Mexico Borderlands

by Margaret Regan

Stories of the people intimately involved in immigration.



### DISCUSS

Join one of several discussion groups to be held at church & in homes on

**Tuesday Oct 25 & Thursday Oct 27 @ 7pm**

We'll use the UUA discussion guide to explore the complex issues of immigration.

### IMMIGRATION STUDY GROUP

JOIN an Immigration Study Group – this 6 week program will begin on **Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>** and continue through **Nov 13<sup>th</sup>**. The group will meet at about noon directly after the 11 am service for lunch & discussion. The UUA Study Guide materials will be available online, they were used in the spring and proved to be very good. To register or for further information contact: [susan.ferguson@comcast.net](mailto:susan.ferguson@comcast.net) or [annehall4@comcast.net](mailto:annehall4@comcast.net)

# Life of the Church

## Breaking news from the Membership Committee!

**VISITORS' SUNDAY** is coming up on October 16th, and Marc's sermon is rumored to be entitled the tantalizingly "Stranger in a Strange Land." It is sure to be interesting for both long-time members as well as visitors. Please think about inviting friends and neighbors who might be UU's but who don't know it yet! Let's all do our best to be greeters to newcomers that morning. As UU Peter Bowdon put it: "Our challenge is not marketing, but welcoming visitors into our lives."

Also coming up soon is our first **PATH TO MEMBERSHIP CLASS**, on Saturday, October 22nd (9:15am to 1:00pm). Learn about UU history from Marc, how the church works from staff members and committee representatives, and get your questions answered. To top it off, you will be able to enjoy a free pizza lunch and other goodies! Even child care is provided (by reservation). Please sign up at the Visitor's Table in the foyer, or by contacting co-chairs Kay Williams (223-1546/[buddyboy78@comcast.net](mailto:buddyboy78@comcast.net)) or Bob Bergstrom (206-0442/[bob.bergstrom@gmail.com](mailto:bob.bergstrom@gmail.com)).

Last but not least, you will make Kay Williams a very happy person if you volunteer help out at the **VISITORS' TABLE!** It is a great way to meet people. Volunteers cover one service a month (9:00 or 11:00), arriving 20 minutes before the service starts, and staying at the table for 15 minutes after the service ends (in case visitors have questions). There is a training video to watch that tells you all about it, and you will be paired with someone who has volunteered before. You can also get on the substitute list, if preferred.



# Life of the Church

## Ask Us for Money! We have some money to give!

The Endowment Fund Committee is now soliciting grant proposals for projects not already funded by the approved church budget. To be considered, a proposal must be completed on the Committee's application form and submitted to the Committee by November 1, 2011. Please place completed applications in the Endowment Fund Committee's mailbox in the church foyer.

According to the Policies of the Endowment Fund Committee, grants from the Endowment may be distributed for any use that furthers the mission of the church including but not limited to: Capital improvements; Debt reduction; Education, youth, worship, and music at the church; Community outreach; Local social service agencies; Unitarian camps, conferences, and schools; The Unitarian Universalist Association.

If you have a great idea for furthering the mission of Foothills Unitarian Church, let us hear about it through your grant request!

Please refer any questions to Jane Everham, Chair of the Endowment Fund Committee, [jeverham@frii.com](mailto:jeverham@frii.com),



## "Perspectives on Israel/Palestine."

**October 6, 7:00 p.m.**

UUs for Justice in the Middle East (UUJME), Foothills UU Chapter, will be presenting Arnie Voigt, retired Lutheran minister from Boulder, speaking about his perspectives on Israel/Palestine. He has visited Israel/Palestine sixteen times, including leading traditional Holy Land trips, several events for the Lutheran Ministries in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, peace and justice awareness trips for Sabeel, a three month sabbatical at the Vatican's Tantur Ecumenical Institute. His parish in Littleton raised significant amounts in support of the Lutheran School in Bethlehem.

Please come and bring others whom you think might be interested.

**Eleanor Dwight 377-0863**



## What If we Hold It and No One Comes?

The Eves of both Christmas and New Year's are filled with celebration. However, this year they fall on Saturdays, which, of course, means the day the evenings are anticipating arrive the next morning. Whether you have joined us for one of our three Christmas Eve services or stayed out until the wee hours attending Fort Collins First Night events, church may not be high on your agenda on Christmas and New Year's morning.



In light of this, should Sunday services be cancelled altogether, or should some type of alternative gathering be planned? If you are interested in either leading or attending an afternoon service on Christmas and/or New Year's please speak to either our minister Marc Salkin, or our Director of Adult Enrichment, Vicki Siska no later than **November 1st** so appropriate plans can be made.



## Caring Corner

Loving thoughts and sympathy are extended to Mike Estlick, whose grandfather passed away recently. Your memories will bring you joy.

Our deepest sympathy to Anne Haro Sipes whose mother died suddenly near the end of August. May the love of family and friends surround you.



# Children's Religious Education News

Eleanor VanDeusen - Director of Religious Education for Children & Youth

## Welcome Fall at Foothills!

**Fall is my favorite season.** The nip in the air and changing landscape remind me of my childhood fall traditions. Each October my small



Unitarian congregation would participate in "**Trick or Treating for UNICEF**". We will have UNICEF boxes for you to pick up if your family would like to participate. We also have several fun activities in store for you here at Foothills - Family Night with Square Dancing

on Friday October 9th, our Day of the Dead church service of remembrance on October 30th followed by **Pumpkin Carving Night** on Sunday evening! We hope you can join us for the fun and fellowship.

*Eleanor VanDeusen*

Director of Religious Education for Children & Youth

## Sunday, October 2nd

**All Church Sunday Church Service** - Kids join their families for the first portion of the church service today, followed by Religious Education classes. Special music and stories.

## Wednesday October 5th

### 8th Grade OWL Orientation 6 - 8pm

8th graders and parents join us for an orientation for this terrific **Comprehensive Sexuality Education Program**. Attendance is required to take the course.

## Sunday October 9th

Religious Education Classes for preschool thru 5th grade at 9am and for preschool thru middle school meet at 11am.

## Friday October 8th

### Family Night! Grab your partner!

Potluck dinner at 5:30 pm followed by **Square-Dancing & S'mores**. We'll have a square dance-caller and friends to teach the dances and a fire pit for roasting s'mores on the patio.

## Sunday October 16th

Religious Education Classes for preschool thru 5th grade at 9am and for preschool thru middle school meet at 11am.

## Sunday, October 23rd

Religious Education Classes for preschool thru 5th grade at 9am and for preschool thru middle school meet at 11am.

## Pumpkin Carving Night!

Sun. Oct. 30th 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Join us for this fantastically fun Foothills tradition!



Bring you pre-scooped pumpkin, your carving tools and ice cream or a topping to share. Come in costume if you like. We will carve pumpkins, eat ice cream, enjoy a spook house made by our 4th & 5th graders. We'll cap off the evening with a sing-a-long and the lighting of the Pumpkins!

## Sunday October 30th

**All Church Sunday Church Service** - Kids join their families for the first portion of the church service today followed by RE classes. Today we celebrate **Day of the Dead**. Bring items to place on our altar of remembrance (a photograph of your departed loved one, their favorite food or book. ) We will remember and celebrate our loved ones in a beautiful way.

**NEW THIS FALL - PARENTS PLEASE SIGN YOUR YOUNG CHILDREN IN AND OUT OF THEIR RE CLASSES.** A sign in/out clipboard will be located at the entrance to our Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st Grade and 2nd/3rd grade classrooms. If you would like your child to go to the playground during coffee hour we ask you to sign them out and take them to the playground. This procedure was requested by our RE teachers who are concerned for the children's safety. Children 4th Grade and older may leave on their own to find their parents.

*If you have questions about the Children's Religious Education Program or anything posted here, Please contact Eleanor VanDeusen, Director of Religious Education for Children and Youth, at the church (970) 493-5906 church or (970) 484-6090 home. My office hours are T - F 9-3 and SUN 8-1*

## YUUMS - Youth Of UUism in Middle School

*Eleanor VanDeusen, Lisa Stroyan, Lyndy Latta & Glenn Pearson Advisors*

**This group meets monthly for fun food and fellowship!**  
All middle school kids, 6th—8th grades are invited to participate.

### Join us in October:

#### **Sunday October 23rd 1:30 - 4:00 pm**

CSU Challenge Course (you may have heard it called a “ropes course” ) \$20 per person. We have 35 slots available. Middle School kids and teachers will get first priority, followed by parents. No siblings please. RSVP to Eleanor by October 16th. 493-5906 [eleanorv@foothillsuu.org](mailto:eleanorv@foothillsuu.org)

## OWL - Our Whole Lives Comprehensive Sexuality Programs



**OWL** is our Comprehensive sexuality program which is abstinence based and covers the physical, emotional and spiritual aspects of sexuality in a safe setting with peers and adult leaders who have been trained and approved by the Unitarian Universalist Association.

#### **Our 8th Grade Owl Class begins with a required Parent & Child Orientation on Wednesday October 5th from 6:00 -8:00 pm**

All interested participants are **REQUIRED** to attend this orientation to take the course.

Cost for the class is \$80.00 for youth registered in our RE program and \$150.00 for others. Students are required to purchase a resource book. Need based scholarships are available.

**Our 5th Grade OWL Program and our Kinder/1st Grade OWL** program will be held in January and February. Watch the Intercom for more information near the end of the year.

## YRUU - Young Religious Unitarian Universalists

*Our High School Youth Group: 9th - 12th Grades Allison Fink Youth Coordinator*

### **Foothills youth are leaders in their church, district, faith and communities.**

The high school youth group has a social action/awareness emphasis inspired by our UU Principle of “justice, equity, and compassion for all.” YRUU also emphasizes worship, Unitarian Universalist Principles and Purposes, fellowship, and fun! YRUU focuses on youth leadership and empowerment with assistance from our Youth Coordinator and adult advisors.

### **Youth Assembly Con @ MDD October 7-9**

Youth Assembly is close to home this year and each year the conference is getting more youth friendly and fun. Let's descend on Colorado Springs as one mighty, impressive horde! The keynote speaker, Rev. Meg Riley is a great person to hear speak and get to know throughout the weekend. Youth Assembly will also include Advisor Training October 7th 12:00 – 4:00pm. Youth advisors and allies are encouraged to come get support and ideas and network with other like-minded folks from throughout the district.

### **Northern Cluster Retreat @ Foothills! October 28 - 30**

Hey, we're hosting a Halloween Con and it's going to be awesome. Just thought you might want to know. Youth, watch for registration forms. Adults, watch for way that you can help support this great event.

### **Programming:**

**October 2** – Covenanting together.

**October 7-9** – Youth Assembly Con

**October 16** – Learn about modern pagan practices and worship style with a guest speaker.

**October 23** – Presentation from youth from Plymouth about participating in the Clothing the Cold, Warming the World event. Learn about how you can be involved and the best techniques for staying warm!

**October 28 – 30** – Northern Cluster Retreat.

**October 30** – No youth group.

**Allison Fink, Youth Ministry Coordinator, cell 970-402-7297, e-mail [allison@foothillsuu.org](mailto:allison@foothillsuu.org).**

# Growing With Adult Enrichment

Vicki Siska, Director of Adult Enrichment



The Adult Enrichment program invites you to join us for an evening of electric music with the internationally acclaimed Celtic group **Solas**.

Formed fifteen years ago, the *Boston Herald* trumpeted the five multi-talented members as “the first truly great Irish band to arise from America,” even though three of the musicians hail from Ireland. Over the years they have played every Celtic festival around, in addition to Wolf Trap, the Ford Amphitheater, and Queens Hall in Edinburgh, Scotland. They are known throughout the States, Europe and as far away as New Zealand ~ and now, they are once again performing at Foothills Unitarian Church! The concert is presented as part of the **Daniel Pearl Harmony for Humanity World Music Days**, marking our eighth year of involvement in this worldwide celebration to honor the life and times of Wall Street Journalist Daniel Pearl, an early casualty in our war against terrorism.

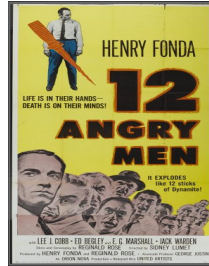
The **Solas** concert will be held on **Sunday evening, October 9 at 7 pm**. Doors will open at 6:30 pm and all seats are unreserved. Tickets are being underwritten by the AE program and are offered to the community at the unbelievably low price of \$15 - a reduction even over the last time Solas was in town! Don't delay; we don't want you to be disappointed. Tickets are on sale after church on Sundays or by calling Vicki Siska at 226-5660.



**Ever Wonder How to Explain What a UU Is?** Join us at after services on Sunday, **October 16 (12:30 pm)** as we explore some of the most important and commonly held beliefs of Unitarian Universalism. In

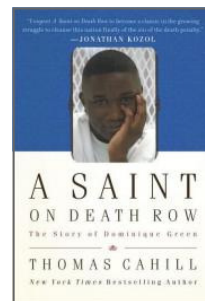
the process, you will be provided with a simple method to more easily understand, explain, and share with others why our denomination is vital to a pluralistic society. Drinks and dessert will be provided; bring a sack lunch to this hour long class if you would like.

**Reserve Your Seat Now** for our first Friday Night Spirit Film of the season. Our **October 21st 7:30 pm** viewing in various UU homes about town will feature the original film **12 Angry Men**. As the Casey Anthony trial and verdict proved this summer, we are not always privy to what goes on during jury deliberations.



However, *12 Angry Men* will take you behind the scenes of one trial, sharing the back stories of the jurors assigned to determine the fate of a young Puerto Rican boy accused of killing his father.

Tension runs high and feelings change over the course of this superbly written classic courtroom thriller starring Henry Fonda and numerous other well-loved actors. Reservations essential and a \$6 per person donation is requested.



**Were You Cheering When Rick Perry** boasted of the number of people the State of Texas has executed under his watch? Perhaps you aren't against capital punishment, per se, but what happens to the soul of a country when it executes a person against whom the evidence is shaky?

Bestselling author Thomas Cahill's powerful and heartbreaking book *A Saint on Death Row: How a Forgotten Child Became a Man and Changed a World* will form the basis for our discussion on **Sunday, October 23 at 7 pm**. Cahill's book details the story of Dominique Green - wrongly accused, then executed for murder in Huntsville, Texas, shining a light on our racist and sometimes deeply flawed criminal justice system. Whether or not you are an advocate of banishing capital punishment, this is a troubling story you won't soon forget. Class donation \$6.00; 7 books available for the discounted price of \$10. Advance registration and reading of the book requested.

## Growing With Adult Enrichment

Vicki Siska, Director of Adult Enrichment

### MANY HANDS TO THE RESCUE

On Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, twenty people gathered for the AE class, Faith and Doubt at Ground Zero. I was having some trepidation about my summertime decision to show such an intense reminder of the 9/11 tragedy on the anniversary itself, but the class as a whole decided to proceed.



Then, about an hour into our film, the TV slowly lost color, and a few minutes later the screen went black altogether. While we were still able to have a meaningful discussion before we left, it is clear our normal method of delivering AE classes will no longer be available.

How fortunate then, that the **Endowment Committee** granted fund to help the AE committee fulfill its goal of purchasing an overhead projector. With added money raised at last year's goods and services auction, and some additional budgetary help from Carolyn Myers, we will soon have a ceiling mounted DVD projector and screen in place.

A huge debt of thanks is extended to all of the people who made funding possible, and to **Eleanor Van-Deusen, Wayne Brown, and Mike McCarthy**, each of whom spent countless hours researching, purchasing, contemplating and installing a system that will benefit not only our Adult Enrichment program, but our Sunday morning services as well. Hooray!!!!

### FUYAG - Foothills Unitarian Young Adult Group, ages 18 - 35

We come together on the first Tuesday of every month (Theology on Tap, off-site) and the third Thursday of every month (Potluck with rotating activity, church).

### October Events



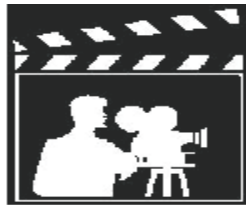
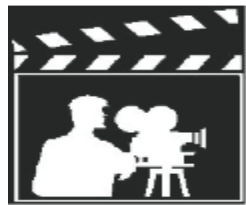
**Theology on Tap:** October 4th at Wild Boar, 1510 South College Ave, 7pm. Join us for drinks and deeper discussion about our UU principles, ideas and beliefs. Come a little early to grab a drink or snacks upstairs, and join us in the downstairs meeting room.

**Potluck Game Night!** – Thursday, October 20th, 6 pm in the Social Hall at church. Bring a dish to share and a favorite group board (or other) game if you have one. If the weather's nice, we could play some lawn games!



**October Fun:** What would you like to do for an additional fun event in October? Send suggestions to the email list, or to Amber. To be decided at Theology on Tap. (Haunted house? Corn Maze? First Friday? Halloween fun?)

Please contact Amber Lamb for more information, questions, suggestions, or to be added to the email list: [aglamb@yahoo.com](mailto:aglamb@yahoo.com) or 658-6043. Search FUYAG on Facebook and add yourself to our group!



FUC'S FIFTH ANNUAL

# CABARET

## THE SILVER SCREEN TV AND MOVIE THEMES

"...dazzling. Simply the best show this side of Constitution Ave. Two thumbs up."  
--R. Church

"For me, it was 6 out of 7 principles. Life-affirming."  
--Unitarian Man

**DATE:** SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2011

**TIME:** DOORS AT 6:30, SHOW AT 7:00

**TICKETS:** \$8, INCLUDES REFRESHMENTS

FREE CHILDCARE AVAILABLE WITH A RESERVATION

**(Movie Trailer Voice)** *"In a world...where there existed only a stage, a microphone and a musical back-up band...there were a brave few who dared to go out on the limb, who would reach down to the depths and put their talents on the line to bring us mere mortals..."*

**THE CABARET!!!!!"**

Drama. Romance. Comedy. Mystery. Thriller. Grab your popcorn. Pull up your favorite easy chair. And leave the jammies at home. See you at the 7:00 screening. All proceeds go to the Music Committee.

**MORE INFO:** [RYAN@RYANMARVEL.COM](mailto:RYAN@RYANMARVEL.COM) OR [FOOTHILLSUU.ORG/MUSIC](http://FOOTHILLSUU.ORG/MUSIC)



## Music notes.....

Ryan Marvel, Director of Music

### October – Sunday Music

- Oct 2 – Selections from our new Spanish Hymnal
- Oct 9 – Special guests Susan Snyderman , piano
- Oct 16 – Adult Choir: “Take Me To The Water”, Rollo Dillworth
- Oct 23 – Special guest Leslie Anne Harrison, celtic flute
- Oct 30 – Our annual *Dia de los Muertos* service

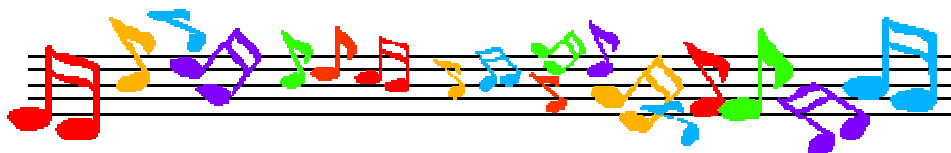
**Cabaret!!!** Saturday, October 22, 2011 – Show at 7:00 pm

“*The Silver Screen: TV and Movie Themes*” is this years’ theme! Lights, camera, action! Come and see the best show this side of Spring Creek! Our M.C., Elizabeth Sink will set the stage for our acts put on by fellow congregants, choir members and musicians. If you would like to sign-up to perform, you may download a form from the church website, or pick one up in the office. Tickets are \$8, includes refreshments....on sale Sundays between services or in the church office. **THIS EVENT USUALLY SELLS OUT...SO GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!!!** More info? Contact Ryan or a member of our Music Committee.



**Wait...when was that again?**

For your fridge and bulletin board needs, there is a Music Program 2011-2012 flyer available in the foyer at the visitors’ table. This tri-fold info sheet has all of our big musical events listed and information on ongoing musical groups. Dates, times and descriptions of when, what, where...pick one up for your hungry bulletin board today.



**Youth Choirs**-We will continue our wonderful tradition of winter choirs for our young singers. We will send out a confirmation email and overview letter by mid-October to all of our singers who have signed up. If you still need to sign up, please send Ryan or Sharon an email. Rehearsals begin Sunday, October 30.

**Holly Singers Holiday Choir:** Pre-school – 1st Grade Directed by Sharon Docherty

Our youngest organized music group brings joy to so many during the holiday season. We will begin rehearsals October 30, between services and perform for December services at church as well as at a community venue. To sign up, drop Sharon an email: [firesoul@mac.com](mailto:firesoul@mac.com) .


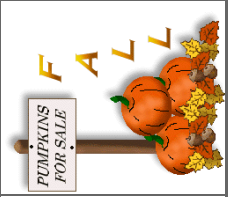

**Spirit Singers:** 2nd – 5th Grades Directed by Ryan Marvel

Our Spirit Singers will be doing some more challenging music this Fall, incorporating rhythm and instrumentation into their performances. This group will sing at church services twice in December, as well as one or two community performances. Look for rehearsals to begin October 30, between church services. Visit the church website for the full schedule. To sign-up, drop Ryan an email.

**Needed – Accompanist for Children’s Choirs:**

Ryan and Sharon are looking for two individuals who are able to accompany our Holiday choirs. The two candidates must be able to read music, have fun and handle a somewhat hectic environment. In all seriousness, a wonderful opportunity for a rewarding musical and collaborative experience. these are paid positions! If you are interested, please contact Ryan for schedule information.

For more information regarding ongoing music at our church, see the bulletin board in the social hall, pick up a flyer at the visitor table, check the church website or drop Ryan a line. Welcome...come and join in the music. In Song, Ryan Marvel 970.581.0120 [ryan@ryanmarvel.com](mailto:ryan@ryanmarvel.com)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>AE:</b> Adult Enrichment <b>MUUM's:</b> Mostly UU Moms <b>YAAC:</b> Youth & Adult Advocacy Cmt <b>FUYAG:</b> Foothills U. Young Adult Group <b>YUUMs:</b> Youth of Uuism in Middle School <b>COM:</b> Committee on Ministry <b>OWL:</b> Our Whole Lives			<b>11am</b> Memorial Service
<b>2</b> <b>9 &amp; 11 A.M.</b> <b>Sunday Service &amp; Religious Ed.</b>	<b>3</b> 	<b>4</b> <b>7pm</b> FUYAG Theology on Tap	<b>5</b> <b>6pm</b> 8th Gr. OWL Orientation <b>7:30pm</b> Adult Choir Practice	<b>6</b> <b>7pm</b> UU Brotherhood	<b>7</b> <b>5pm</b> Youth Conference <b>5pm</b> Congregation Har Shalom	<b>8</b> <b>8am</b> Congregation Har Shalom
<b>9</b> <b>9 &amp; 11 A.M.</b> <b>Sunday Service &amp; Religious Ed.</b> <b>7pm Solas Concert</b>	<b>10</b> <b>7pm</b> Meditation Group	<b>11</b> <b>5pm</b> Finance <b>6:30pm</b> COM <b>6:30pm</b> MUUM's <b>7pm</b> Drum Circle	<b>12</b> <b>6pm</b> 8th Gr. OWL <b>7:30pm</b> Adult Choir Practice <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>	<b>14</b> <b>5pm</b> Family Night Potluck & Square Dancing <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>	<b>15</b> <b>8am</b> Day of Caring <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>
<b>16</b> <i>Visitors Sunday</i> <b>9 &amp; 11 A.M.</b> <b>Sunday Service &amp; Religious Ed.</b> <b>12:30pm</b> Adult Enrichment	<b>17</b> <i>Need more information about the events listed here? Google Calendar <a href="http://foothillsuu.org">foothillsuu.org</a></i>	<b>18</b> <b>7pm</b> Board of Trustees Meeting <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>	<b>19</b> <b>6pm</b> 8th Gr. OWL <b>7:30pm</b> Adult Choir Practice <b>Olan Mills Pictures</b>	<b>20</b> <b>6pm</b> FUYAG <b>7pm</b> UU Brotherhood	<b>21</b> <b>7:30pm</b> Friday Spirit Films	<b>22</b> <b>9am</b> Path to Membership Class <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Cabaret!</b>
<b>23</b> <b>9 &amp; 11 A.M.</b> <b>Sunday Service</b> <b>7pm</b> Adult Enrichment <b>30</b> <b>9 &amp; 11 A.M.</b> <b>Sunday Service</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Pumpkin Carving Night	<b>24</b> <b>7pm</b> Meditation Group <b>31</b> Halloween	<b>25</b> <b>6:30pm</b> MUUM's <b>7pm</b> Drum Circle	<b>26</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Navigators USA <b>6pm</b> 8th Gr. OWL <b>7:30pm</b> Adult Choir Practice	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> <b>6pm</b> Song Circle YRUU North Plains Cluster	<b>29</b> YRUU North Plains Cluster

Events listed are current as of September 20th, see our website calendar for updates.



## "Eracism" Film and Discussion Series

Our own Marc Salkin is one of the discussion facilitators for the eleventh annual film series, shown on Sunday and Wednesday nights, starting Sept. 18 and running through Oct. 12. Sunday films will be at the downtown library, and Wednesdays' at Council Tree Library, 13 Council Tree Ave. (Ziegler and Harmony) or the Harmony Library (Harmony and Shields.) All films begin at 6:30 p.m.

### Oct. 2 and 5:

"Dream in Doubt" is about the brother of a Sikh who was the first revenge murder following 9/11. He begins a journey to reclaim his American dream and fight the hate that continues to threaten his community. Lori Peek, Sociology Professor at CSU will lead the discussion at both showings.

### Oct. 9 and 12:

"Prom Night in Mississippi" is a documentary that follows a group of seniors in Charleston, MI as they prepare for the first racially integrated prom in Charleston history. Mark Salkin will lead the discussion at both showings. The Wednesday showing of this film will be at the Harmony Library.

Admission to the films is free, but donations are encouraged. Seating is limited. The series is produced by the "Eracism" Film and Discussion Committee, which receives grants from Fort Fund and the Fort Collins Area Interfaith Council, donations from Foothills Unitarian Church, the Not in Our Town Alliance, the Fort Collins Coloradoan and participation from the Poudre River Public Library District.

Further information at [www.eracismfilms.org](http://www.eracismfilms.org) or by calling 484-7653.

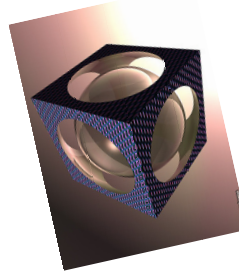
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**Intercom@foothillsuu.org.  
Questions? Ask the new editor,  
Kathryn Boyle, 493-5906**



## F-CUBED (Foothills Financial Facts)

Just some quick facts this month:

We spend an average of \$131.68 each month to get the Intercom - our monthly newsletter - printed, plus \$64 in Postage to mail it.

Buckhorn pays for itself! This year they collected \$11,146, which will be used to pay for the Camp (meals and lodging) and a few supplies. Any balance left will go into their new Buckhorn Scholarship Fund for future years.

Between August 3 and September 7 someone (or more likely lots of some ones) added \$10,771 to their King Soopers Grocery Cards.

I know this because King Soopers sent the Church a Rebate check for \$538.55 – 5% of the reloads! Yippee!

Happy October,  
Eve Enright, FUC Bookkeeper



## Song Circle is on the 4th Fridays of the month!

October 28th, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Foothills Unitarian Church RE  
building Rooms 211/212  
(down stairs)

Come make music with family and friends!  
All ages and abilities welcome.

Contact April Undy for more information  
[april@roseundy.net](mailto:april@roseundy.net), 407-8788

<http://launch.groups.yahoo.com/group/songcirclefc>

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Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 p.m.

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**UU will definitely want to be there . . .**  
**At the Goods and Services Auction!**  
*Saturday, November 5, 2011 ~ 5:30 - 9:00 pm*

***These cool donations just in:*** a pony ride photo shoot; dog walking time; babysitting; 3 hours house cleaning (I'll bid on that one!).

There's still time to donate – the deadline is October 7<sup>th</sup>. Please fill out your donation form today – forms available by email, as well as in the Social Hall on Sundays.

Delicious food and drink will be provided. Fun child care and activities are available, including a pizza party and a junior auction! Don't miss out on this great event.

**We'd love to hear from you. Questions about your donation?  
Need help with wording your donation? Want to volunteer?**

Talk with any member of the Auction Committee - Suzanne Hale (488-0624);  
Judy McKenna (223-2220); Kay Williams (223-1546); Cheryl Gatti (223-1765);  
Mary Rundquist (568-8895); Jody Anderson (215-3405); Erin Price (377-1166).



**UU better believe it!**