

THE CHALICE FLAME

First Unitarian Society (formerly UUCP)

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February

2013

Issue II

A Month of Sundays

February 3 - Reverend J.M. Hild
"My Thoughts About Justice"
Worship Leader, Janice Nelson
Greeters: Shawn and Ibsen

February 17 - Caroline Luellen
"Living In The Moment"
Worship Leader, Dorie Silverman
Greeters: Dan and Gennifer

February 10 - Dorie Silverman
"Love is Like a Butterfly"
Worship Leader, Midge Birgers
Greeters: Don and Kate

February 24 - James Lujan
"Seven Day Mental Diet"
Music: Haunted Windchimes
Greeters: Dave and Steve

Expanded Titles and Descriptions

February 3 - Rev. John Mark Hild will present a thought provoking discussion on justice.

February 10 - Dorie Silverman, Rev. Claire Zilm and Valerie Temple will present an original puppet show, followed by a talk by Dorie Silverman, "Love Is Like a Butterfly." After the service, we will celebrate Valentine's Day with cookies and other treats. Food contributions are appreciated.

February 17 - Caroline Luellen will talk about "Living In The Moment." She states that "When I step from the Now moment I lose control of my life."

February 24 - James Lujan's, "Seven Day Mental Diet." We often think of a diet as a way to improve our physical well-being to lose or gain weight, to look better, for a longer life. A mental diet asks us to practice the daily release of negative thoughts and perceptions for positive ones. James Lujan returns to share some insights and perspectives on how this may be accomplished—how a Seven Day Mental Diet can not only change your life, but save it. In addition, the Haunted Windchimes will play.

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Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		Saturday
27	Jan	28	29	30	31	1	Feb	2
9:00a -10:00a Socrates Café 10:30a- 11:30a Prof. Marc Pratarelli - "Personal and Social Responsibility" 12:00p Congregational Meeting								
3		4	5	6	7	8		9
9:00a -10:00a Socrates Café 10:30a- 11:30a Re. Mark Hild - "My Thoughts About Justice" 11:30 New Member Reception			6:30p Sustainable Societies Collective @ FUS	11:30a Happy Bookers meet for lunch at Rosario's (at the Riverwalk)		9:00a Fellowship Breakfast – Jorge's Sombrero		1:00p -3:00p Black History Exhibit Reception @ SE Colorado Heritage Center
10		11	12	13	14	15		16
9:00a -10:00a Socrates Café 10:30a- 11:30a Dorie Silverman - "Love is Like a Butterfly"			6:15p -8:30p Board Meeting @ FUS					
17		18	19	20	21	22		23
9:00a -10:00a Socrates Café 10:30a- 11:30a Caroline Luellen - "Living in the Moment" 12:00p- 1:30p Social Action Documentary			6:30p Pueblo Humanist Directions @ The Daily Grind	12:30p Happy Bookers meet @ FUS				5:00p Potluck & Movie night - potluck @ 5, movie @ 6:30
24		25	26	27	28	1		2
9:00a -10:00a Socrates Café 10:30a- 11:30a James Lujan - "Seven Day Mental Diet" with Music by Haunted Windchimes 11:30a Ice Cream Sunday (Feb. Birthdays)								

Social Action

This month's documentary will be, *Guns In America* (2008, 50 min). This engaging documentary from National Geographic examines the contentious and passionate relationship American citizens have with their firearms, featuring gun owners explaining in their own words why guns matter to them. Revealing insights from members of law enforcement agencies, inner-city gangs, local gun clubs and ordinary citizens help explain why the United States contains one gun for nearly every American man, woman and child. Bring a bag lunch. Questions, call Dave at 545-1165.

Cooperative Care is accepting in-kind donations of food items and hygiene products. We have a collection box in the vestibule. Questions, contact Ruth.

Beloved Community (Formerly New Horizons)

February is here! Presidents' Birthdays, Celebration of Love, Black History Month. This is a good month to reevaluate our programs and our relationships. We are evaluating the goals we have explored for our community in our Sunday morning conversations, and in the recent congregational meeting. We are welcoming our relationships with new members and friends, and continued relationships with our ongoing ones. We are supporting each other as we face some losses and changes. This is a special spiritual community. Let's get to work! With love! Blessed be - Janice

*Love alone can unite living beings
so as to complete and fulfill them.
For it alone joins them
by what is deepest
in themselves.*

*All we need is to imagine
our ability to love
developing. Until it
embraces the totality of
men and of the earth.*

Teilhard de Chardin

Adult RE and Socrates Cafe

SOCRATES CAFÉ -- Please note The Socrates Cafe Sunday Morning discussion group has changed its meeting time to 9 am.

Bits from the Board

Next meeting Feb 12 at 6:15, all members and friends are welcome. Contact Janice if you have an agenda item.

Over the next 6 months, the board will be focusing on our Sun morning programs, membership support, input and participation by more members and friends. We want to hear from members and friends, to assure we are meeting everyone's needs. Leave a message on the church answering machine- we will return your calls. Talk with us on Sunday Morning. Everyone is welcome to our activities and committee meetings. Put an idea or concern into the suggestion box on the back tables. Share what topics you would like for Sunday morning or in other activities.

If you have skills or interest in the following (we can use your help)

- Computer Website
- Handyman
- Communication, publicity
- Financial, budget
- Fundraising
- Social action interest
- Speaking
- People skills

Sustainability

The Sustainable Societies Collective will be meeting for the first time this year on Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 6:30pm. We will be discussing topics for this calendar year.

Black History Month

There will be a Black History exhibit at the Southeastern Colorado Heritage Center at 201 W. B Street. Ivy Carter is the curator of this exhibit as well as participating in it. The reception for it will be on Saturday, Feb. 9 from 1 to 3 pm. You are invited to attend.

Social Activities

HAPPY BOOKERS

We will have lunch at Rosario's on the HARP River Walk on Feb. 6 at 11:30 am. (Upper level between Union and Main.)

Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 12:30, we will review Langston Hughes', "The Ways of White Folks," a series of short stories about the relationships between white and black men, seen through a black man's eyes.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Fellowship Breakfast will be at Jorge's Sombrero, 1319 E. Evans on Fri., Feb. 8 at 9 am.

POTLUCK and MOVIE NIGHT

Sat. Feb. 23 we will have a potluck at 5 pm and the movie, *Margin Call*, at 6:30 pm. It is an entangling thriller involving key players at an investment firm during one perilous 24 hour period.

ICE CREAM SUNDAY

Sun. Feb. 24, after the service, we will be serving various flavors of organic ice cream (bowls or cones) to celebrate February birthdays.

New Member Reception

We will have a special welcoming of new members at a reception following the service on February 3.

Pueblo Humanist Directions

This month, PHD's will meet at the Daily Grind, where we'll talk about the life & times of Charles Darwin. The Daily Grind serves up excellent food along with outstanding coffee & tea drinks, so plan to order dinner when you arrive. PHD's meet every third Tuesday at 6:30 pm. See <http://www.meetup.com/Pueblo-Humanist-Directions/> for more info and rsvp.

Healing Thoughts

Please keep Pat Spahr in your thoughts.

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About the First Unitarian Society

The First Unitarian Society is affiliated with the Unitarian Universalist Association. The religious organization is non-creedal and encourages free inquiry and exploration of ideas; members are not required to share the same beliefs. Members have come from a variety of backgrounds including lifelong UUs, Humanists, Christians, Jews, Muslims, Wiccans, Buddhists, agnostics, atheists, and others. The First Unitarian Society welcomes gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered persons. For more information, see www.first-unitarian-society.org and www.uua.org. If you would like to subscribe or unsubscribe to this newsletter, please contact pueblounitarian@earthlink.net or leave a message at 719.561.0880. Our facility is handicap accessible.

There are **7 Unitarian Universalist Principles** that we affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.