



UUFNB SUNDAY DIGEST

A Publication of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of North Bay
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Services held at 1515 Pueblo Ave, at the Boys & Girls Club of Napa, 11 am

Upcoming Services

Sunday June 1

Rev. Bonnie Dlott and Mary Ellen Morgan, DRE: "The Spiritual Practice of Volunteering," with Worship Associate BJ Pheiffer. It takes a lot to keep a fellowship like ours running! And even though we have full, busy lives, and perhaps children AND jobs, many of us volunteer hours and hours AND HOURS at UUFNB each month. Could there be a relationship between our spiritual lives and volunteerism? Come and find out, and help us to honor our volunteers and mark some of the transitions that will be taking place this summer at our Fellowship.

Sunday June 8

Rev. Bonnie Dlott: "The Mission Driven Church" With Worship Associate Vicki Wolf. What would it be like to have a mission in our community? What would it be, and how could it change us? Following the service, we will gather for a very important Congregational meeting (see notice on page 5).

Sunday June 15

Rev. Theresa Hardy: "When Shall We Rest?" with Worship Associate Suze Bobzien. Rev. Hardy is a community minister currently working as a Chaplain at John Muir Medical Center in Concord. She is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley and a 2006 graduate of Starr King School for the Ministry.

May 25, 2008

Dear Members and Friends of UUFNB,

Summer is upon us! The Board is considering moving our regular Sunday Service to 10 am for the months of July and August since we will not be having pre-service programs those months. We'd like to hear from you about this! Please send me an e-mail if you feel strongly one way or the other about a 10 am service time, just for July and August.

Please be sure to read the information about the congregational meeting on June 8, on page 5 of this Digest. It is very important for all members to attend, as we will be discussing and voting on next year's Board and next year's budget.

If you need to remind folks about a Fellowship-wide event or program next Sunday, please get in touch with BJ Pheiffer, who will be our Worship Associate next week, and she will make your announcement or call on you to make it. If you would like an e-mail copy of any sermon I have given at UUFNB, send me a note. If you wish to have items included in the Sunday Digest for June 1, please submit them to me by noon on Friday, June 30!

See you in Church!

The Rev. Bonnie Dlott
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UUFNB Calendar



Monday May 26, 8 p.m.

Monday Night Meditation

Susan Levine's home, 2341 Joanne Circle, 226-3975

Wednesday, May 28

St. Helena Chalice Circle

St. Helena Public Library; RSVP to Barbara Back at 942-8810.

Sunday June 1, Following the Service

Pre-Summer Potluck

1556 Palmer St. For more information see announcement on page 7.

Wednesday, June 4

North Bay CUUPS

New Moon Ritual; 68 Coombs Ave, # D4, Doug Taylor, 226-7500

Sunday June 8, Following the Service

Congregational Meeting, all welcome!

Boys & Girls Club, see page 5 for more details

Wednesday, June 11, 7-9 pm

Sonoma Chalice Circle

Moyer-Metzler's, 1110 Fryer Creek Dr. Sonoma. RSVP to Matt or Wendy at 935-7191.

Tuesday, June 17, 7-9 pm

Carquinez Cluster

Dragavon home, at 1468 Tamara Ct., Benicia. For more information, contact Tom at thosdragavon@aol.com or 745-5290.

Thursday, June 19th, 10 am

No Name Book Club--Oscar and Lucinda by Peter Carey

Home of Else Ross, 695 Cabot Wy, 224-6752

June 20th, 6PM

Soup 'n Bread (actually pot luck this time) Discussion of Bill McKibens'"The World at 350; a Last Chance for Civilization"; Home of Phyllis Boyson, 1993 Waverly, 257-1265

To view the UUFNB Calendar, go to <http://www.huntcal.com/cgi/calview.cgi/uufnb/UUFNB>

UUFNB Announcements

Adult Programs: Sunday Mornings 9:40 to 10:45 a.m. Boys and Girls Club, 1515 Pueblo

- **June 1** – “**New to UU**” with Rev. Bonnie Dlott. This will be our last class until September. Today is reserved for your questions, about UUFNB, UU Theology, History, the UUA, or anything else!
- **June 8** – “**Make a Joyful Noise: Music of the World**” Adults, teens, and children are invited to join with Craig Payne to “feel the joy of your own music.” Please bring your drums, rattles, bells, recorders or other music-making instruments, or just yourselves to explore rhythms from around the world, including your own. Craig also provides rhythm makers and a great appreciation for people and their potential. Children under 10 should be accompanied by an adult.
- **June 15** - “**The Bible as Literature**” with Jim Craig, is on hiatus until September. See you then!

Share the Plate!

In Honor of Memorial Day, 10% of this months non-pledge plate donation will go to the non-profit organization “Swords to Plowshares.” Their mission is to “heal the wounds, to restore dignity, hope, and self-sufficiency to all veterans in need, and to significantly reduce homelessness and poverty among Veterans”. Please be as generous as you can!

In Memoriam

Joanne Macy has passed from this world. She slipped peacefully to sleep after ordering a dinner and eating her chocolate ice cream and cookies on Sunday, May 18, and did not awaken. She was 89 years old and would have arrived at 90 this upcoming July.

The family will have a brief service. Joanne’s family reports that she “was pleased to know that she will have a Quaker service, having no minister but ourselves. Therefore, the ministry will be spontaneous remembrances and thoughts inspired by Spirit in this intimate setting”.

Condolences also to **Gayle Keane** and her family, as her mother passed away peacefully on May 23 in Phoenix, Arizona. Services are planned for next weekend. Cards can be sent to Gayle and Greg at 2267 Monticello Rd, Napa, CA, 94558.

Community Bulletin Board and Area Events

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DVD showing - A New Vision for a New Millennium, Elizabet Sahtouris

Tuesday May 27th, 5:30 PM at Barbara Kummer's home, 1260 Shadybrook Lane.

An evolutionary biologist takes science deeper and finds life to be fundamentally cooperative, locally routed and self-organizing.

Elisabet Sahtouris, Ph.D. is an American/Greek evolution biologist, futurist, business consultant, event organizer and UN consultant on indigenous peoples. She is a popular lecturer, television and radio personality, author of *EarthDance*, *Biology Revisioned*, co-authored with Willis Harman, and *A Walk Through Time: From Stardust To Us*, with prologue by Brian Swimme and epilog by Sidney Liebes. Dr. Sahtouris has taught at the Univ. of Massachusetts, M.I.T. and was a science writer for the NOVA/ HORIZON TV series. She has lived extensively in Greece and the Peruvian Andes. Her vision is the sustainable health and well-being of humanity within the larger living systems of Earth and Cosmos.

It's a pot luck, bring something to share!
Please RSVP to Barbara Kummer at barbarak@napanet.net.

UUSC-UUA Cyclone Nargis Relief Fund

UUSC and the Unitarian Universalist Association have joined to launch a humanitarian relief fund to help cyclone survivors in Myanmar (formerly Burma).

Cyclone Nargis hit Myanmar on Saturday, May 3, 2008, with wind speeds of up to 120 miles per hour, devastating coastal and inland regions. State officials have estimated the death toll at over 22,000, but this number is expected to rise. Tens of thousands are missing, and millions more have been left homeless.

With your generous support, we will provide humanitarian relief through groups in the affected region in an effort to help survivors, particularly those at risk of being overlooked by mainstream relief.

While UUSC continues to encourage donations of \$252 for peace, we know you would expect UUSC to lead a response to this emerging humanitarian crisis – and provide a way for members and supporter to help.

Please donate to the UUSC-UUA Cyclone Nargis Relief fund. http://www.uusc.org/info/support_cyclonenargis.html

Or mail donations to:

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee
UUSC-UUA Cyclone Nargis Relief Fund
P.O. Box 845259
Boston, MA 02284-5259



Board Buzz . . .

The annual meeting of the UU Fellowship of North Bay will be after the Sunday service on June 8. There will be four agenda items at the June 8 Congregational Meeting:

1. Election of New Board Members
2. Election of Officers
3. Bylaw Revision
4. Budget for FY08-09

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of nominees for Board positions for the coming year:

Barbara Back and Margo McCandless Smith for election

For Board Officers:

President: Iris Barrie (continuing)

Vice President: Jim Craig (continuing)

Treasurer: Margaret Kelso (continuing)

Secretary: Barbara Back

At Large: Margo McCandless Smith

Iris Daigre and Rainer Hoenicke will continue to serve At Large. Bob Jones and Lee Long are completing three-year terms.

If you did not receive a copy of the budget for 08-09 or the proposed by-laws revision by e-mail, please get in touch with our Board Secretary, Margaret Kelso at 649-1905, and she will see that you get one.

But what about food? A light lunch will be available for a \$5 donation. If you would prefer to bring your own lunch, feel free.

REflections

I can't believe it; we're actually at the end of the church year! It seems as though it was just yesterday that we were enthusiastically starting off this church year with two age-ranged classes and a team of teachers all ready to teach our children about spiritual practices from many faiths. Where has the time gone? I'll have a more detailed report on the RE Program for you all at the Annual Meeting, so I won't go into that now.

I'm now beginning to coordinate the curriculum for our summer program. If you know that you will be away and not bringing your children to church from June 23 through September 1, please email me at memorgan@aol.com, so that the teachers and I can plan for that.

While I was at District Assembly last month, I attended a workshop which presented the idea that Children's RE is a portal of entry of membership for the congregation. The workshop stated that when the curriculum engages the children, they bring their friends and then the parents follow, to find out what's happening at this church. It was an interesting idea, so with that in mind, Tracy Ruhs and I will be spending the summer developing the program for our children and teens for next year. Watch this space for our announcement of our program for this fall.

Bonnie and I will be continuing facilitating the Chalice Circles this summer, please feel free to join one near you, for conversations that deepen your faith and can connect you more closely to your Fellowship friends and neighbors. I will also be starting an artistic cluster out of the Artist's Way group the met this spring. This will lead the group into the Artist's Way, Part Two that I will schedule to teach late in September.

I'm attending General Assembly in Ft. Lauderdale late in June and will be spending my time there reviewing curriculum, discussing variable attendance with other Directors of Religious Education and trying to discover if there are any new and exciting things that I can bring to your children and you for the next year.

Please let me know your thoughts, we are all eager to make this program what you all want and need it to be.

In Faith,
Mary Ellen Morgan
Director of Religious Education





You are Invited to a Backyard Pot Luck Sunday June 1st

Once meant to be a Spring Fling, now an early summer party. Come this first Sunday in June after the UUFNB service to Iris Daigre's backyard for an afternoon gathering. Bring your dish, your comfortable shoes, your children, and a chair if you want to be sure to have one. Water, iced tea and games/activities will be provided.

Iris's home is at 1556 Palmer St. From Boys and Girls Club, take Pueblo to Jefferson - going South. Make a left turn at Oak Street (at the corner of Fuller Park); go one block to the end of the park. Turn right onto Seminary, and an immediate left onto Palmer St.

1556 Palmer is in the middle of the second block on the left-hand side (A yellow stucco house with blue shutters and a long driveway). Walk down the driveway to the party!

*See you on
June 1st!*

