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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**TODAYS USHERS ARE:** Jan Realini, Captain; Olivia Eisenhower, Ron Dodson & Sylvia Wheeler

**GREETERS:** Betsy Kropp, Rowena Rodgers, & Pat Cummins

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:** 131

**Playground Monitors:** Stacy Barnwell, Doug Yost, Theresa Addington, & James Chenault

The flowers today are in honor of Mrs. Retha Posa, Eric's mother.

Members and visitors are invited to use the **green comment cards** in the hymnal holders to communicate with the **Committee on Ministry**. Signature is optional. In addition, members are always invited to attend the first half hour of the monthly meeting as listed in the announcements. Completed cards should be deposited in the basket in the foyer.

### THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

**SUNDAY 05/13**– 9:30a Spiritual Seekers in the Sanctuary classroom; Religious Explorations in the Fellowship Hall; **11:00a Worship** – Mother God? by **Rev. Eric Posa**; 3:00p - 7:00p SAI Center in the Thoreau; 4:00p – 7:00p Spirit of Peace Church in the Fellowship Hall, library; 6:45p – 8:00p Ethical Toolbox in the sanctuary classroom.

**MONDAY 05/14** –6:00p – 9:00p Texas Gems Tupperware in the Fellowship Hall; 7:00p Insight Meditation Group in the Jefferson

**TUESDAY 05/15**– 7:00p Codependents Anonymous in the Jefferson Bldg.; Bridge night in the Thoreau; Young Adults meeting in the library  
Crones meeting in the Sophia Fahs room.

**WEDNESDAY 05/16**– 9:00a – 3:00p Quilting group in the library; 2:30p - Piano lessons by Dana in the Fellowship Hall; 3:30p – 6:30p Guitar lessons in the Library, 7:00p – 9:00p **First UU Board meeting** in the office conference room.

**THURSDAY 05/17**–**12:00n** Senior LUUnch in the library; 7:00p – 8:15p Choir Practice in the Sanctuary followed by fellowship in the library; 7:00p – 9:00p Faith & Reason Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall; Enlightened Auctions meeting in the Thoreau.

**FRIDAY 05/18**– 7:00p -9:00p The Grace Group meeting in the Thoreau; Mending Our Hearts in the Sophia Fahs room; Walden Coffeeshouse in the Fellowship Hall (maybe) - Circle dinners off campus.

**SATURDAY 05/19**– 8:00a -3:00p Beth Am Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, Thoreau, Kitchen, & library; 1:30p (Setup) – 10:00p **SALSAUCTION** in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen, library; 7:00p – 9:00p Celestial Celebration Circle I the Jefferson & playground.

**SUNDAY 05/20** – 9:30a Religious Explorations in the Fellowship Hall; Spiritual Seekers in the Sanctuary classroom; **11:00a Worship; Congregational Meeting; New Member Recognition Sunday; Soup Lunch**; 12:30p – 2:00p Social Action meeting in the Sophia Fahs room; 2:00p – 4:00 p Jones/Henderson Wedding rehearsal; 3:00p– 7:00p SAI Center in the Thoreau; 4:00p – 7:00p Sprit of Peace Church in the Fellowship Hall & library; 5:00p – 7:00p Beth Am meeting in the Sophia Fahs room; Circle Dinners off campus.

### AROUND THE CHURCH:

**HAVE YOU THOUGHT about joining the Choir?** We always practice music six weeks in advance so we have plenty of time to learn it. Rehearsal is **Thursday evening**, 7-8:15, followed by a fellowship. Won't you become a new member and experience the energy of great music and the warmth of terrific fellowship?

**CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!** Our Church is seeking the creative services of all our members and friends young and old who make music. We welcome diversity of styles of music that will enrich our services both during the regular church year and the summer. So if you play or sing music with a message in any style, classical, popular, jazz, rock, blue grass, folk, gospel, country and western, world music, whatever, and you want to contribute to the diversity of our worship, contact Minister of Music Bill Ross in person, by telephone SeePrint, or by email [WJRoss@satx.ruuu.com](mailto:WJRoss@satx.ruuu.com). You'll be glad you did, and so will we!

**NEW UU** - Our next two-part New UU Orientation Class will be **Thursday, June 7** from 7:00-9:00 pm (Part 1: Explorations) and **Sunday, June 10** from 12:30-1:30 pm (Part 2: Connections). The Explorations class is for anyone who wants to learn more about our church, either for "intellectual curiosity" or to fulfill the requirement for membership. All are welcome. The Connections session is for those who have recently filled out a membership form and are ready to get involved. Childcare is available on request. Sign up at Welcome Table in the Sanctuary Foyer.

Notice to First UU parents and their children! Mark your calendars! **Camp UU MeToo**, our week-long summer day camp, will be held this year June 11 - 15, 2007. The camp is designed for children ages 6-12. Past sessions have included classes in Spanish, yoga, woodworking, cooking, hovercraft building, and other exciting activities! If you have ideas for an activity that you can volunteer to lead during the camp, please contact Polly Noël at church (or by forwarding a response to this e-mail to [polly.noel@sbcglobaluu.net](mailto:polly.noel@sbcglobaluu.net)). Details on this year's curriculum, registration, etc will follow in the coming months as soon as they are finalized! Camp fees, as usual, will be very competitive compared to other day-camp offerings in the area.

**SOUP LUNCHES ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.** To schedule a Soup Lunch for your church committee, contact **Julie Lusk at the church office**. **Please do not forget to pick up your dishes after the lunch.**

**Emerson Bookshop** will have all its full size chocolate bars reduced to \$2 through May 13! All not-just-for-bumper stickers are now \$1. Our bookshop's new titles include *Waking Up to What You Do: A Zen Practice for Meeting Every Situation with Intelligence and Compassion*, *Reverence: Renewing a Forgotten Virtue*, *Happiness: A Guide to Developing Life's More Important Skill*, *Buddha in Your Backpack: Everyday Buddhism for Teens*, *201 Little Buddhist Reminders: Gathas for Your Daily Life*, Joan Chittister's *Ten Commandments: Laws of the Heart*, Karen Armstrong's *Short History of Myth*, and Michael Lerner's *The Left Hand of God: Taking Back Our Country from the Religious Right*. We also have new copies of many of our popular titles. Fair trade organic Mind Body and Soul drip grind coffee, medium and Vienna roast with hints of dark chocolate, is from small farmer co-ops in Latin America. \$1 gets you a sample of any drip grind coffee. The bookshop is open in the sanctuary classroom after the worship service on most Sundays.

**Service Auction** Our annual auction will be on **May 19**. These are some of the items offered in previous auctions: gardening advice by Master Gardeners, mulch delivery, gourmet dinnersUU, computer, legal, or professional advice, pet sitting, musical performances, stays at condos/vacation home, airplane discount coupons, hand-made quilts and jewelry, paintings and other artwork, food and/or wine baskets, or gourmet desserts. We'll need volunteers, including a bid caller. *Please look for our sign up table on the patio this Sunday* or contact Polly Noel (SeePrint; [polly.noel@sbcglobaluu.net](mailto:polly.noel@sbcglobaluu.net)), Mara Jewell (SeePrint; [jtigerbear@yahoouu.com](mailto:jtigerbear@yahoouu.com)), or Stacy Barnwell (SeePrint;

**SPIRITUAL SEEKERS** group is doing in-depth study of world religions. The approach will be to focus significant time on a religion then move on to the next. Emphasis will be given to relevance to our lives today and the commonalities that link each religion. Contact Jeff at SeePrint or [jladdington@satx.rruu.com](mailto:jladdington@satx.rruu.com). Meets every **Sunday** at 9:30 a.m.

**ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATIONS** – Studying Emerson and Thoreau. For more information call Mark Ackerman SeePrint or email [markackerman@141uu.com](mailto:markackerman@141uu.com). Meets every **Sunday** at 9:30 a.m.

**YOUNG ADULTS** -On **TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007** its **DINNER AND ARTS NIGHT**. Lets meet at the church and then we're off to dinner and art at La Tuna. I found 2 addresses for La Tuna, so in order to make sure we all get to the same one, we'll meet at church at 7pm and carpool and caravan to La Tuna from there at about 715pm. So, bring a friend and we're off for food and art at La Tuna! Remember to invite a friend! The Young Adult group meets every Tuesday evening at the church at 7pm-ish in the Library in Fellowship Hall. Please note the gathering and start times. We will start check-ins at 715pm. For more information, email Steve at [feinstei@swbelluu.net](mailto:feinstei@swbelluu.net)

**BRIDGE** every **Tuesday** from 7-9 PM in the Thoreau Bldg. – Contact Robert Kadanka @ SA Metro 830/SeePrint [kadankar@gvtcUU.com](mailto:kadankar@gvtcUU.com) – Mini lecture focus “Slam Bidding”

**FAITH AND REASON** Please join us Thursday, May 17 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly worship service. The title of Fletcher Pool's sermon is "Meeting the Divine Where You Are." Anthony Bazzani and Jim Chesnut will provide music, and an offering will be taken to cover expenses. For more information contact Jim Chesnut at SeePrint or [jim@chesnutproductionsUU.com](mailto:jim@chesnutproductionsUU.com).

**MENDING OUR HEARTS** (a relationship recovery group) meets from 7:00p – 8:30p the **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday** of each month in the Sophia Fahs room. If you are experiencing the pain of a broken relationship, you are not alone. There are others who share your feelings of loss. Join us as we take a healing journey toward rebuilding our strength, hope, and a renewed sense of self. The Relationship Recovery Group will explore the process of grief and loss, help you develop new coping skills, and rebuild your self-confidence in a supportive and caring environment. This group is open to anyone going through the loss of a relationship with a significant other. For more information contact Teresa Cheek at 210-SeePrint or [tcheek1@sbcglobalUU.net](mailto:tcheek1@sbcglobalUU.net).

**THE BUDDHIST STUDY GROUP** meets the **first Sunday** of every month at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary Classroom. All our meetings begin with a discussion period followed by meditation. All are welcome, newcomers are encouraged. Contact Dale Moore at SeePrint.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED** to equip your "Ethical Toolbox"! Are you interested in philosophy, ethics, the mysteries of the world? Come join our UU philosophy class. We meet **every other Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)** evening @ 6:45-8:00 p.m. The class is led by Bruce Beck, a philosophy instructor at San Antonio College ([brucebeck@yahooUU.com](mailto:brucebeck@yahooUU.com) or 210 834 8788). Tuition is free, but consult Bruce about the textbook. Come and join the discussion!!

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY** meets the **third Monday of each month** in the library. The first 30 minutes is reserved for members of the congregation who wish to speak to the committee. Contact Bill Pridgen at SeePrint.

Our **Interweave**, UUs for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender concerns, has a listserv. To sign up send your email address to [cac68@aolUU.com](mailto:cac68@aolUU.com).

**LOST & FOUND** – Please, if you find any items in the sanctuary, please leave at the Welcome Station in the foyer.

**LETS KEEP CURRENT...**Have you moved? Have a new email address? New phone number? Please send your updated information to the church office via mail, phone (SeePrint) or email ([fuuca@sbcglobalUU.net](mailto:fuuca@sbcglobalUU.net)). Or just check to make sure that I have your information correct. Thank you.

**WHO ARE YOU?** Church members, please remember to wear your nametags on Sundays. Names tags for members and “in process” members are located on the tag holder in the Fellowship Hall. Guests, **welcome**, and please pick up a name tag at the Guest table and sign the guest register. We would like to get to know you!

**WORLD MAGAZINE** -Do you receive the "UU World" magazine? If you have been getting your copy and are finished with them, please donate your unwanted UU World magazines by leaving them in the church foyer to be given to our visitors who are eager to read about Unitarian Universalism.

A bouquet from your garden, a happy houseplant, a rose from HEB or a flower or two from our beautiful campus can all serve as gestures of appreciation on our Sunday altar. If you choose to remember or revere someone or an occasion on a Sunday, please let Julie know ahead of time. Arline would be glad to assist you.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

**PARENTING GROUP** will be having their last meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please join us! There will be no meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup> for Mother's Day and no meetings during the summer. The group will start up again in the fall.

**Attention all High School Students** - You are invited to a swimming & pizza party hosted by YRUU. When? Saturday May 19 from 2 - 5:30. Where: Donna Harrison's house - 526 Grandview Place, San Antonio, 78209. All high school aged youth are invited -- we hope to see you there!

**ATTENTION** High School aged youth! If you are ages 14 -19 and in high school, then our high school youth group, Young Religious Unitarian Universalists (YRUU) is meant for you. We have a very active youth group, and our activities include such things as social action, lock-ins, travel to district events, worship, discussion and time to just hang out. New members are always welcome at our meetings. We meet on Sundays at 12:30 (after church). On the second Sunday of each month, we meet at Community Church since the youth group has members from both churches. Please contact Donna Harrison at [donnaharrison@yahooUU.com](mailto:donnaharrison@yahooUU.com) or 210-SeePrint if you have any questions.

**HIGH SCHOOL OWL** (Our Whole Life) meets in the Darwin and Lee rooms of the Thoreau Bldg. from 10:45am-12:30pm on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays. **Please do not disturb this class while it is in session.**

**ROCKS PLEASE for Youth and Children's Labyrinth** For our **ME TOO U2** Church Summer Camp (June 11-15), one thing the participants will be doing is exploring the power of labyrinths through many activities. We are asking for church members, if you can, to donate a rock or two (or more). We will be constructing a spiral labyrinth in the playground area and thought it would be symbolic and special to us rocks from church members' homes. Starting this week, the rocks can be dropped off next to the planter boxes in the playground. If you have a lot of rocks to contribute, but no way of getting them to church, we can help. Contact Moon Brand: [moon@moontrailUU.com](mailto:moon@moontrailUU.com) or SeePrint. PAZ

## **MEMBER CARE:**

Condolences to Stella Jaidar whose mother died on May 9 – cards or calls to Stella at 8315 Briargate, SA TUU, 78230-5007 – SeePrint.

Please keep in your thoughts and hearts Arline and Bob Terrell and Bettie and Joe Ward.

## **SOCIAL ACTION:**

**Share the Plate has begun!** Starting in July, all non-assigned money collected at the offering will be donated to an organization that matches our Unitarian Universalist principles and our church's mission. This is an exciting opportunity for us to connect with the community and share our generous spirit. In order to make this work, we need nominations! Please fill out a nomination form, which can be found on the church's website or in the foyer. The form is due May 27<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to learn more about the program, please pick up a brochure in the foyer or

read the online version at <http://www.firstuusanantonio.org/shareplate.php>. If you have any questions please contact Lisa Peterson, SeePrint or [lisaspeterson @ gmailUU, com](mailto:lisaspeterson@gmailUU.com), or Diane Duesterhoeft, SeePrint or [dduesterhoeft @ gmailUU, com](mailto:dduesterhoeft@gmailUU.com).

## **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:**

### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:**

**Grounds Work Days -- May 12** Please join us for our workday on the second Saturday of each month, from 8 a.m. to noon. Everything is bursting into bloom and gorgeous, but the weeds are pretty happy, too. We just need a few more helping hands. If you'd like to help, just show up, even if you can't make it by 8 a.m.! Or better yet, contact Doug Yost (210-SeePrint) or Patrick Kendrick (830-SeePrint) to let them know you'll be there. Wear work clothes, and bring gloves and garden tools, if you have them.

**M&R** The scheduled time for work projects is the 1st TH of the month in the afternoon. Please **join** on TH, or **volunteer** at a time of your convenience, or **sponsor** the cost of a project that you want to see happen at *First UU Church*; **M&R tri-chairs**: Jack Melton [jcmel @ sbcglobalUU, net](mailto:jcmel@sbcglobalUU.net); Robert Kadanka [kadankar @ gvtcUU, com](mailto:kadankar@gvtcUU.com), Bill Pridgen [npridgen @ satx.rrUU, com](mailto:npridgen@satx.rrUU.com)

### **DENOMINATIONAL CONNECTIONS:**

**Delegates for General Assembly (GA):** If you are planning to attend this year's General Assembly and are interested in representing our Church as a delegate, please contact Lee Hampton at SeePrint or [lee20 @ flashUU, net](mailto:lee20@flashUU.net).

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY** - Registration is now open for the Unitarian Universalist Association's General Assembly in Portland, OR, June 20-24. More information is available at <http://www.uua.org/ga/>. Upcoming activities of our UU district include SWUUSI and UU summer camp, at the Lake Murray Resort, July 22-27. More information is at <http://www.swuuc.org/>

### **THE LARGER COMMUNITY:**

Stand with us on Sunday, May 13, 2007, to save the world. Go to [www.standingwomen.org/english\\_story.html](http://www.standingwomen.org/english_story.html) to read The Great Silent Grandmother Gathering. In honor of the story's lovely message and Julia Ward Howe's original proclamation for a Mother's Day for Peace, please join us after church at 1 p.m. in the courtyard for 5 minutes of silence. This short observance is not a protest, but is meant to remind us of the positive ways we can influence the world, whether those influences are large or small. We will be standing for the world's children and grandchildren, and for the seven generations beyond them. We dream of a world where all of our children have safe drinking water, clean air to breathe, and enough food to eat. A world where they have access to a basic education to develop their minds and healthcare to nurture their growing bodies. A world where they have a warm, safe and loving place to call home. A world where they don't live in fear of violence--in their home, in their neighborhood, in their school or in their world. This is the world of which we dream. This is the cause for which we will stand. Contact Stacy Barnwell ([irstacy @ sbcglobalUU, net](mailto:irstacy@sbcglobalUU.net); SeePrint) for more info.

**Welcome Guests! COFFEE'S ON US!** Please get some coffee on the patio and give us a chance to get acquainted with you. We're glad you're here. Be sure to ask any questions that are on your mind. *On Sundays that lunch is served we invite you to be our guest for lunch as well.*

**Announcements – Please keep try to keep your announcements short and to the point so that others can also include their announcements.**

This is a Welcoming Congregation. First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Antonio seeks to foster a climate of purposeful inclusion of all regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. If you are lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgender, or if you think you might be, we welcome you to join with us-- to participate fully and openly in our congregational life.