



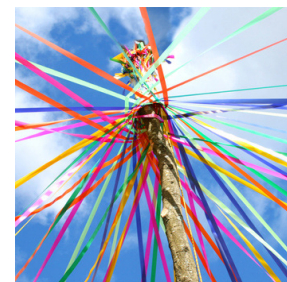
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UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION AT SHELTER ROCK

May 2, 2017

We aspire to be a loving religious community where we can grow spiritually and build a more just and joyful world.

-SHELTER ROCK VISION STATEMENT



WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, May 7, 2017 - 11:00 AM
"Where Do We Go From Here?"
The Rev. Ned Wight

The Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) is in the midst of a significant leadership transition following the resignation of President Peter Morales in March and the election of the UUA's first woman president in June. Concern about hiring practices and commitment to diversity in staffing is widespread, yet there is uncertainty and disagreement about how to describe and talk about what's wrong, as well as how to move forward. Rev. Ned's sermon takes its title from a book by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., published in 1967: *Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?* Rev. Ned will offer a framework within which we might continue to ask this question of our own faith community—and hopefully find common ground to search together for answers. At this service we are also pleased to welcome new members.

Friday, May 12, 2017
Dinner - 6:30 PM, Worship - 7:30 PM
Free Coffee House
Soulful Sundown
The Rev. Jennifer L. Brower



Special guest performer
Lucy Kaplansky
SOULFUL SUNDOWN

*Where music resides
at the heart
of religious experience*

Transportation Assistance

UUCSR offers transportation assistance to Sunday Worship and Soulful Sundown services for members who are unable to travel due to physical or financial limitations. Contact Kimberly Rossiter, Assistant to the Ministers, at krossiter@uucsr.org or 516.472.2941 for an application.

TOUCHSTONES

The Rev. Natalie M. Fenimore,
Minister for Lifespan Religious Education



These are interesting times to have our Annual Giving Campaign. In these times of controversy within the Unitarian Universalist Association, and within our own congregation, we are doing some collective soul-searching about what holds us together in community. The importance of supporting our liberal faith tradition and all that it offers to the world is, of course, a central reason to support Unitarian Universalism and this congregation with gifts of time, talent, and treasure – this year and every year.

I would also ask you to consider three elements of our community that can give us strength for these times: our ability to be a place of reconciliation, connection and commitment.

To reconcile is to listen, and understand each other's stories. To reconcile is to make peace with the past without forgetting its lessons and to move to renewed relationship. To gain and grow from our knowledge of each other. This reconciliation is a long, hard process that might be the work of a lifetime, of generations. It is a needed healing and our common human goal. It is our task now, even in difficult times, to listen to one another, to understand that our differences do not have to divide or define our community. Reconciliation is deep soul work.

In the words of D. H. Lawrence (Healing): "I am not a mechanism, an assembly of various sections. And it is not because the mechanism is working wrongly that I am ill. I am ill because of wounds to the soul, to the deep emotional self and the wounds to the soul take a long, long time, only time can help and patience, and a certain difficult repentance, long and difficult repentance, realisation of life's mistakes, and the freeing oneself from the endless repetition of the mistake which mankind at large has chosen to sanctify." Healing can and must be done in this faith and in this congregation – it is a part of what we are as a community.

We also know that this congregation is a place with many opportunities to learn and grow together. It is where each of us can contribute to the building of a larger whole. We build connections – solid connections that can enable us to renew commitment when there has been a breach of relationship or a breach of trust. Our connectedness can better enable our reconciliation. We are not strangers to one another. Our openness to one another can make time and space for needed questioning of assumptions, and for the examination of pre-conceptions and prejudices. Together we build bonds strong enough to hold us together in rough and stormy times.

And as we reconcile and reconnect – we also recommit, re-covenant. In the words of the Sufi poet Rumi: "Somewhere beyond right and wrong, there is a garden. I will meet you there."

CONGREGATIONAL OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR

Adam Barshak



With appreciation for their services I am pleased to announce that Ms. Jen Sappell has been promoted from Communications & Marketing Associate to Communications Manager, and Ms. Linda McCarthy has been hired as the Communications & Marketing Associate.

Jen has been with the congregation for over four years and took on a temporary leadership role overseeing the congregation's internal and external communications after the resignation of the Communications Director over a year ago. Jen has shown tremendous enthusiasm for the congregation's purpose and has been instrumental in helping advance the congregation's communication strategy, especially through social media and the congregation's website. She takes on this new position at a time when the congregation is readying itself for actualizing several marketing and public relations campaigns in FY18 that have been mentioned in prior articles by me and the Chair of the Public and Promotions Committee, Jim Smith. Jen has been tremendously supportive of the Committee's commitment to enhance communication of the congregation's good works and values to the community. I look forward to working with her in her new leadership role.

Ms. Linda McCarthy has been supporting the congregation's communication services in a temporary full time capacity for over a year. Linda brings strong graphic and web skills to her position. She is an artist who is comfortable with multiple technologies. Linda currently produces the Happenings weekly e-newsletter, flyers, invitations, calendars and more. Recognizing her skills and efforts, we are pleased to transition Linda to a full time salaried employee.

75TH ANNIVERSARY GALA UPDATE



75th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, May 13, 2017

**EVERY MEMBER IS
A GUEST OF HONOR**

"Eat, Drink, Dance and Be Merry!"

RSVP Registration has been extended to Friday, May 5
There will be NO admission at the door unless pre-registered
Do not miss this chance to be together to celebrate each other.

Be prepared to have a "fun evening"
... with fine food, dancing camaraderie and reminiscing.
PARTY attire from your favorite decade 1940's to present.

Register online or contact Tammy Weil, office liaison
(516.472.2913 or tweil@uucsr.org)

\$25/Individual Tickets, \$65/Family

LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Rev. Natalie M. Fenimore

ADULT PROGRAMS

On April 22, twenty people gathered to appreciate those who have facilitated Adult Programs at UUCSR. Following lunch, I facilitated a discussion of how the Adult Programs Committee and the Minister and RE staff can best support leaders of Adult Programs at UUCSR. We also discussed what programs we would like to support in the future. If you are interested in leading a program for Adult Religious Education or have an idea for a program you would like to see offered at UUCSR please contact the Adult Programs Committee Chair, Cello DaSilva or Religious Education Coordinator, Jeanne Nametz at jnametz@uucsr.org. My thanks to all those who have led our many and varied, and very interesting and informative programs for adults which are such a benefit to our members here at UUCSR.

WIDER UU COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

If you are in search of a great summer experience for children, youth and families, you can see information about Unitarian Universalist Camps and Conference Centers at CU2C2.org.

Looking ahead, the International Council of Unitarians and Universalists (ICUU) will hold their next international conference February 11 – 15, 2018 In the Khasi Hills of India. The ICUU conference was hosted at Shelter Rock in 2014 and many of our members had the opportunity to be involved with supporting the conference. ICUU members promote Unitarian Universalism as a faith spanning cultures and uniting people in love and compassion. Joining this conference would be an opportunity to network and get to know UU's from around the world. Contact Rev. Fenimore for more information nfenimore@uucsr.org or go to the ICUU website.

ANNUAL MEETING & BRUNCH

Sunday, June 4, 2017

Annual Meeting & Sunday Brunch

Sunday Brunch

12:30 PM

**\$15 Pre-payment
Required**

Annual Meeting

2:00 PM

Worship Room

RSVP For Brunch online at

www.uucsr.org/brunch

or by mail to Tammy Weil

The meeting is free and open to all.

LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Jeanne Nametz, Religious Education (RE) Coordinator



Earth Day Activities: A Play, a Tour and Planting Seeds

On Sunday, April 23, RE children (3-year-olds through third graders) celebrated Earth Day on a beautiful Spring morning. The children gathered for chapel and were treated to a play put on by our Butterflies, Kindergarten, Grades 1-3 teachers. "The Seven" is a play written by Ted Tiller, a UU young adult, about the 7 principles unfolding through a story about the earth and creatures cooperating with each other. We were thrilled to have Ted in attendance at the play and the teachers did a wonderful job playing the characters.

Kim Matthews from Green Sanctuary did a super job leading tours of our community garden, and the children got to taste some things growing in the garden already, such as chives. In addition, the children got their hands in the dirt, a celebration of Earth Day, by planting marigold seeds and decorating their own individual pots to take home with them. No celebration would be complete without tasting the fruits of the garden, and all were treated to ice cream with blueberries.

Many thanks to the teachers who participated in the play, to Ted Tiller, our playwright, to Kim Matthews from Green Sanctuary who bought the treats and led the garden tours, to Faye and Arnold Babel who bought the garden supplies, and to all teachers who helped with the pot decorating and seed planting.

May we all experience the inter-connectedness of the world of nature and ourselves and may we tread lightly on this earth with respect for all life.

"When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world."

- John Muir

75th Anniversary Trivia Tidbit

How many rooms in the Veatch House have a fireplace?

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

India Harris, Youth and Young Adult Program Coordinator



UU Service Trip to West Virginia

This April, 18 youth and 4 adults from UUCSR spent their spring break volunteering with Big Creek People in Action in Caretta, West Virginia. Big Creek People in Action is a local nonprofit based in McDowell County, West Virginia. The towns of McDowell County

have been large producers and suppliers of coal since the 19th century. However with the mechanization of the coal industry in the 1970's, unemployment has sky rocketed and devastated local municipalities. In response to the economic devastation and crumbling public infrastructure, Big Creek People in Action evolved in the 1990's out of a citizen led campaign for clean water. Currently, the organization is focused on the empowerment of and service provision to the citizens of McDowell County. In addition to providing housing rehabilitation, job readiness and educational services, Big Creek People in Action provide Service Learning Opportunities for high school and college students.

In addition to our congregation, we spent the week volunteering alongside youth and adults from the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Towson. Divided into groups of three, we worked on housing and building rehabilitation projects in various locations around the county. We were responsible for clearing debris and painting houses, porches and an entire firehouse. One of the groups knocked down and rebuilt a porch on a wooden cabin that had been in the community member's family since the 1800's. Working outdoors gave the youth and adults opportunities to get to know locals and have conversations about day to day living in southern West Virginia.

In the evenings, we learned more about the culture of our hosting community through cultural exchanges. Chester, a local musician, welcomed us with a bluegrass band. They interwove stories through the music that spoke to the tenacity and grit of their community. Many of the youth joined in singing alongside the band and as a group, performed several songs for everyone gathered. Manuel, an award winning Flatfooting dancer, gave us a few dance moves to showcase while the bluegrass band was playing. Later in the week, Marsha, the Co-Executive Director of Big Creek People in Action, took us to a nearby lake to share personal stories of growing up in the hallows of the surrounding hills.

Afterwards, everyone took a vigorous hike to a lookout point that revealed the emerald beauty of the budding branches and the creek below. The youth organized worship and shared in bonding activities in which we reflected on how the trip had impacted us. We were very touched by the kindness and hospitality that we'd experienced from the community. Our time with Big People Creek in Action allowed each of us to move beyond our comfort zones to reach out in fellowship and to receive fellowship from everyone we met.

VEATCH VIEWS

Faron McLurkin, Program Officer



Our Bus Trip to Community Voices Heard

Last month, Veatch staff and congregation members gathered for the Annual UUCSR Veatch Program Bus Trip. On Saturday, April 1, 2017, we visited long-time grantee Community Voices Heard (CVH). CVH is a grassroots membership organization located in East Harlem that advocates for the rights of New Yorkers, with a focus on low-income people of color and women. CVH was co-founded by Veatch Program Executive Director, Joan Minieri, and continues to be one of the Veatch Program's most successful local grantees. The bus trip was a wonderful opportunity for members of the Congregation to see the impact of UUCSR's charitable giving, up close.

Participatory Budgeting in Action

Our first stop on the trip was at a public housing complex in East Harlem. We were there to observe a process called Participatory Budgeting (PB), a process where city council members agree to allow the community to generate ideas and vote on projects that can be funded by the council members' discretionary budget. CVH was the community-based partner that brought this project to New York City in 2011. Now in its sixth year, PBNYC has grown from 4 districts, to include 31 of the city's 51 districts.

While at the housing complex, we watched democracy in action, as organizers helped distribute ballots and help residents understand the process. The organizers explained to local residents that the decisions made on that ballot would be a part of the actual city spending and that their voice did matter in real ways. Residents chose from a range of options such as new equipment for schools, added recreation centers in parks, and more emergency response vehicles. It was refreshing seeing the passion that community members had for these issues and how eager they were to get involved. Several people commented on how this was the first time someone asked their opinion on how decisions about their neighborhood should be made.

First-Hand Accounts

After visiting the polling site, we travelled down the block to CVH's offices, where we met with members of the Board of Directors, leaders involved in local campaigns, and community organizers. The leaders told the story of their successful campaign to increase investment in public housing. We learned about the challenging conditions NYC residents face in public housing, including

asbestos and leaky toilets, as well as the continued, terrible effects of mold in people's apartments following Superstorm Sandy. CVH has been working with residents from public housing apartments to demand necessary repairs.

The trip ended with a wonderful lunch provided by a local caterer and sharing between CVH leaders and members of the congregation on the role of faith in organizing, the need to understand different definitions of power, and some of the obstacles to organizing on Long Island. When asked how it felt to come back to CVH, Joan shared, "It was wonderful to return with members of UUCSR and see new leaders and organizers still making sure that those who are most affected by problems in the community get to decide how their organization responds."

Thank you to everyone who made time to join us this year and we look forward to our trip next year!

The Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock provides support for efforts within the religious and spiritual mission of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock where their purposes are best served by outside agencies acting under the Veatch Program and the Congregation.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND (SAF)

A Special Opportunity for Youth



UU Faith in Action Students making a Difference in our Communities

The Student Activity Fund (SAF) is a project of the Long Island Area Council of Unitarian Universalist Congregations. For over 40 years, the Veatch Program at UUCSR has funded the Student Activity Fund to provide opportunities for high school seniors and college students to engage in meaningful work in the not-for-profit community, to live their UU values, and to be paid for their internships.

The 2017-18 Student Activity Fund application deadline has been extended until May 5, 2017! For eligible students, SAF is an extraordinary opportunity!

If someone may have missed the initial deadline, please encourage them to apply. Contact Religious Education staff or Diane Cohen, SAF Coordinator, for information (917.992.0137). Information and applications are available at <http://www.liacuu.org>.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Ben Bortin, Membership/Volunteer Coordinator



As we approach the Gala, May 13th, celebrating our 75 years as a congregation, an event I will have to miss (my daughter graduates college the same evening), I think of the many varied and marvelous people who make up and have made up this community over the decades. Like beautiful stones that create a mosaic, or the different colored threads of a tapestry, each individual is unique. No one is less worthy than any other. But together, we are able to partake of, appreciate, and be inspired by one another's gifts.

Just recently, I'm so grateful for the play by Wally Brown, Margaret's War, dramatizing for us the heroic work of congregant Marguerite Pohek, rescuing people from the Nazis. And for the wondrous performance a few weeks ago of Bach's B-minor mass by our choir, and the inspired leadership of Stephen Michael Smith. And at a recent Newcomer Dinner, bravo for the fine, animated musical performances of some of our prime vocalists, including a spellbinding operatic performance by 15-year-old Fiona Lyngstad-Hughes. And for the years of commitment on the part of Jim and Elaine Peters, and others on that committee, making our building and grounds an ecologically sound place, a green sanctuary.

And for our abundant, even bedazzling program of education, for children, youth, and adults.

And for the carefully considered contributions of millions of dollars to people in need, whether beset by natural disasters like the earthquake in Haiti, or for people struggling for a living wage and affordable housing in this country. And the work on behalf of immigrants and people suffering unconscionably in solitary confinement, on the part of Claire Deroche and other members.

And for the innumerable acts of kindness, random and contrived, acknowledged and unsung, that bring so much joy and consolation to people in our midst.

The parents who began the little Unitarian Sunday School in Port Washington the last Sunday of September in 1941, intent on teaching their children values of freedom, democracy, and respect for all persons when such values were under attack around the world, would be more than vindicated by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock in 2017.

I want to finish with a shout out and hearty thanks to Sandra Frank and Chris Hilke, and all serving on the 75th Anniversary Working Group, for their devoted and competent efforts on behalf of all of us, creating the upcoming Gala, and helping us honor our 75th year in appropriately grand style.

Blessings

THANK YOU

I want to thank all my UUCSR friends (and especially the Caring Committee) for the love and support that I received during my recent bereavement. Your many phone calls, cards and flowers were very much appreciated!

Sincerely, Barbara Shea

MILESTONES

A Memorial Service for Steve Kennedy, long-time UUCSR member, will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 11:00 AM in the Worship Room. Steve died on April 11, 2017. He was 86 years old. He is survived by his wife Maria, children Cybelle, Michael, and Edward, and four grandchildren. A reception will follow the service.

A Memorial Service for the Rev. Bob Reed, former minister of the North Shore Unitarian Society which eventually became the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock, will be broadcast live from Louisville Kentucky at 10:00 AM on Saturday, May 13 in the Chapel. The Rev. Reed served this community from 1985 until his retirement in 1994. He was the first to hold the position of Minister for Pastoral Care.

THANK YOU

To all my good friends at the congregation. Thank you for your good wishes during my stay in the hospital. The beautiful pillow from the caring committee will always make me feel wonderful when I look at it in my new apartment at Hadley House. I cannot wait to resume my activities and get involved again. Thank you again.

Love, Roz L.

Thank you for all the support, cards, and flowers that I received after the death of my sister. I deeply appreciate the care received from the Caring Committee, in particular, and the congregation, in general.

Yours very truly, Irene Winkler

Many thanks to our UUCSR Caring Committee, the Ministerial Team, and UUCSR friends for your care and prayers during my recent hospitalization and recovery. Feeling your presence and concern through the flowers and the handmade pillow I received were of great comfort, as well as the calls and cards from my dear friends.

With much love, Rick Van Dyke

The American Indian College Fund and our American Indian scholars truly appreciate your support! Thank you for your recent contribution of \$1,102.00 (collected at the Women's Group Worship Service on March 19, 2017). "We strengthen ourselves with knowledge."

Cheryl Crazy Bull, President and CEO

I want to thank you for the lovely flowers and all your cards and calls. They were appreciated in my time of sorrow.

Margaret Logan

The Hadley House Residents' Association express their gratitude to Wolstan (Wally) W. Brown and the Shelter Rock Players of UUCSR for bringing the play *Margaret's War* about Marguerite Pohek, a past Hadley House Resident, to the forefront. Marguerite's memory was also honored by past Hadley House Residents Frank and Emily Ullman with a gift of an Album of ink drawings of daily life at Bad Gastein DP Camp where she worked to the Museum of Jewish Heritage. Sponsored by the Hadley House Residents' Association. Thank you.

Aida Nema, Co-Chair Hadley House Residents' Association

SOCIAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR

Claire Deroche



Ending Torture in New York State

As this column goes to print on Tuesday, May 2, several hundred individuals from across New York State will be in Albany to demand that lawmakers pass the Humane Alternatives to Long Term Solitary Confinement Act (A.3080 / S.4784). The HALT Solitary Confinement Act will end the use of prolonged solitary confinement in New York's prisons

and jails. The United Nations in its Mandela Rules and countless medical authorities and religious leaders have asserted that solitary confinement beyond 15 days is torture. Every day in New York state over 4,000 women, men, and adolescents are subjected to this torture.

This bill will end torture by limiting solitary confinement to 15 days in any 60-day period. It will also require the implementation of Residential Rehabilitation Units (RRUs) where individuals not ready to return to the general population can receive services in a less restricted setting than solitary until they have addressed issues causing them to be harmful to others and to themselves. By imposing evaluations at set intervals, no individual will be held in an RRU indefinitely, as is now the practice with solitary confinement.

The HALT Solitary Confinement Act provides strict criteria for when solitary confinement may be used. This will end its current, arbitrary imposition for non-violent infractions of prison discipline such as having too many postage stamps or wearing the wrong sweatshirt. Prisons and jails will be required to implement new and more effective training for corrections officers. Prisons where these measures have already been implemented, such as the Maine State Prison, have seen a drop in violence among the incarcerated, even as the numbers in solitary have declined. (See Last Days of Solitary on PBS at <http://tinyurl.com/mhep2a5>)



Passage of this law will end the dehumanizing treatment of individuals in vulnerable populations that currently occurs. The prison or jail can never place in isolated confinement any person who is 21 years or younger; 55 years or older; with a physical, mental, or medical disability; who is pregnant; who is a new mother; or who is or is perceived to be LGBTI. In the case of the

LGBTI community, this will end the practice of isolating individuals "for their own protection." Instead, individuals who need protection will be housed in units similar to RRUs where they will be separated but not isolated, and still have access to meaningful human contact and programming.

The law also enhances due process protections before placement in isolated confinement or RRUs by requiring assessment to determine if a person is in a special population. It also allows legal representation by pro bono attorneys, law students, or approved paralegals at hearings. Current practice provides only for a hearing before a prison official and the officer imposing the solitary order. In 95% of these hearings, the officer's word is taken over the incarcerated individual's and the order for solitary stands. This occurs even though the overwhelming majority of orders for solitary are for non-violent infractions of prison discipline.

Not everyone can go to Albany for this Advocacy Day. But each of us can do something to end torture in New York State. My dream is that in each office we visit on Tuesday, May 2, an aide will tell us: "I got 5 (or 10 or 15) calls today from other constituents urging passage of the HALT Solitary Confinement Act." Will you make one of those calls? You can find contact information for your State Assembly Member at <http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/?sh=search> and your State Senator at: <http://www.nysenate.gov/senators>. Let's make their phones ring off their hooks on Tuesday, May 2. For more information about the HALT Solitary Confinement Act (A.3080 / S.4784) go to www.nycaic.org.

MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Myth:

- Children don't experience mental health problems.

Fact:

- Even very young children may show early warning signs of mental health concerns. These mental health problems are often clinically diagnosable, and can be a product of the interaction of biological, psychological, and social factors.
- Half of all mental health disorders show first signs before a person turns 14 years old, and three quarters of mental health disorders begin before age 24.
- Unfortunately, less than 20% of children and adolescents with diagnosable mental health problems receive the treatment they need. Early mental health support can help a child before problems interfere with other developmental needs.
- Keep yourself and your family member safe.
- Prepare a crisis plan.
- Don't give up.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Helping Refugees Resettling on Long Island: The CoUorage to Defy Hate Task Force invites all UUCSR members to join them in helping 2 refugee families to resettle on Long Island, one from Afghanistan and the other from El Salvador. You can participate in any or all of the following initiatives: bring a gift card in any denomination to the Main Lobby on Sunday; donate new and/or clean and gently used sheet sets (double bed size) and towels: bath, hand, and kitchen placing them in the labeled bin in the lobby; or donate used child car seats or strollers. Thank you!

Concert for Refugees: Friday, May 19, 7:30 PM, Worship Room. The Social Justice CoUorage to Defy Hate Task Force will sponsor a concert featuring Syrian singer, Gaida, accompanied by her band to raise funds for refugees. "Timeout New York" called Gaida one of the most "effusive and charming" singers in the New York world-music scene. Proceeds from the concert will go to Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Services, LI and Church World Service to support newly arrived Syrian, Afghan and Iraqi refugee families in Long Island and New Jersey. Tickets at door: \$25; adult tickets online: \$20; under 18 tickets online: \$10. Visit www.uucsr.org/GAIDA to purchase tickets online; for additional information call 516.472.2960.

Thursday, May 4

Cooking for the Guests of the Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN): 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Main Kitchen. Meals cooked will be delivered to three shelters run by the INN. For further information, contact Verna Livingston, 516.883.7999.

Minds on the Edge: Facing Mental Illness, Art Gallery at 7:00 PM



Breaking the Silence

Mental Illness and the Family

Co-Sponsored by the UUCSR Mental Health Sub-Committee, Social Justice Committee, and NAMI Queens/Nassau (National Alliance on Mental Illness). Movie screening followed by discussion led by retired psychiatrist and UUCSR member, Jean Judd. *MINDS ON THE EDGE: Facing Mental Illness* effectively illuminates challenging ethical issues as well as systemic flaws in program and policy design, service coordination, and resource allocation. It also provides a glimpse of innovative solutions that are currently being implemented across the country. These innovations, many shaped by the guidance and expertise of people with mental illness, offer promising solutions and hopeful direction to transform the mental health system. Questions? Contact Sharyn Esposito at 516.472.2960 or sesposito@uucsr.org. For further information about the movie, go to: <http://www.mindsontheedge.org/>

Wednesday, May 10

Social Justice Committee Meeting at 7:30 PM in the Art Gallery. We will review plans for the concert with Gaida on May 19 and our volunteer project with the Congregational Church on June 3 as well as other agenda items. Newcomers are always welcome!

Tuesday, May 16

NY Interfaith Campaign Against Torture, Conference Call "Ending Prolonged Solitary Confinement:" 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Call in number: 1.855.392.2520. When prompted, enter code 5471845#. Our special guest for this call will be Amos Caley, Associate Pastor of Youth and Worship at the Reformed Church of Highland Park (NJ). Amos is committed to the work of building coalitions and programs to address social and political injustice, particularly in the criminal justice system. He has worked closely with NeighborCorps Re-entry Services, the National Religious Campaign Against Torture, and the New Jersey Campaign for Alternatives to Isolated Confinement. He will share with us his experience of advocating for the New Jersey HALT legislation. If you intend to participate, please email cderoche@uucsr.org to receive the agenda prior to the call.

Wednesday, May 17

Social Justice Climate Justice Task Force Meeting, 7:00 PM in the Art Gallery. The Task Force will evaluate this year's programs and plan for next year. Interested newcomers are always welcome.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHARING

Non-perishable food donations: Our donation drive continues and will next benefit the INN Soup Kitchen in Glen Cove. Suggested items: boxes of cold cereal; canned meats and fish with pop tops: tuna, chicken, salmon, sardines; peanut butter; and soups with pop tops. (Plastic jars, only, please!) Thank you!

UUCSR Used Clothing Bin and Clothing Closet: Please place items for children and adults (in well-secured bags) in the bin designated "Donations of Gently Used Clothing and Shoes," located in the entryway to the coatroom. Items hanging in the back corner of the coat room are available to all; you are welcome to take anything you need. The bulk of the clothing will continue to benefit the United Veterans Beacon House. If you have any questions about donations or how to donate other items, please contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche. Thank you.

CARING COMMITTEE

Advocating for Adequate Healthcare

We are seeking those interested in being a part of a task force to formulate ideas related to their healthcare experiences. We will develop programming based upon specific concerns that you've faced. You may be interested in sharing about either inpatient or outpatient experiences with the intention of developing programming.

Please contact Rhonda Kessler, Chair of Caring Committee at 516.319.1360. Thank you.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Maria Ceraulo, Chair, Women's Issues

Women and Legislation

When women initiate legislation, when their representation is increased by winning elections, and when they act to address injustice and abuse, lots of good things follow.

Since November, women have been increasing representation, particularly in Nevada. "Emerge America" is a national organization that recruits and trains Democratic women to run for office. It's Nevada branch, "Emerge Nevada," had nine graduates on the ballots last November and eight of them won! Since the election, the number of women who have applied for training has tripled. The women of Nevada highlighted issues such as gender wage gap, family-friendly work policies, and the extra amount women are charged for feminine hygiene products - the "pink tax," and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. It may very well be that gender equity will be impossible to achieve without women championing it. We're delighted to see these champions in action.



No longer are some victims suffering quietly in the shadows. A sex trafficking victim started an online petition with 54,000 signatures, calling for legislation to combat trafficking. Assemblywoman Amy Paulin acted. She learned how big a role hotels and hotel workers play in the fight, and introduced a bill requiring hotels to be more engaged in fighting sex trafficking by training employees to spot victims and common trafficking activity. She is confident the bill will become law. Last year, Ms. Paulin helped pass legislation requiring hospital staff to be trained to identify trafficking victims and to notify social services when victims are under 18.

As a delegate at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Rev. Ms. Dannhauser, an associate director for the Church of the Incarnation in Manhattan and leader of the Task Force Against Human Trafficking for the Episcopal Diocese of New York, began a ministry to address this problem, raising awareness and bringing it to the attention of Amy Paulin.

The petition and the awareness prompted legislation that, among other things, will require that the telephone number of the National Human Trafficking Hotline will be in plain view in a conspicuous place-in the lobby and in the public restroom. Another victim said that had she seen this number she might have gotten the help she needed. The victim and Rev. Ms. Dannhauser will take the fight to other states and to Washington where Representative Carolyn Maloney helps lead the Congressional Caucus on Human Trafficking.

We look forward to advances for women when women champions petition, raise awareness, introduce legislation and run for office! We urge you to support all of them and consider how effective you can really be if you become one of the champions.

SUPPORT GROUP

As You Journey Through Bereavement...A Support Group Can Help 7:00-8:30 PM, Thursdays, Free. Contact Kimberly Rossister at 516.472.2941, krossiter@uucsr.org or register at uucsr.org

THE WOMEN'S GROUP PRESENTS A MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON 'TO HONOR THE NURTURER IN ALL OF US'

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017

12:30 p.m.

Veatch House Patio & Ballroom

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR LUNCH

COME ENJOY A WONDERFUL LUNCH HONORING ALL MOTHERS
AND SHARE A MEMORY OR STORY ABOUT MOTHERING.



Free UUCSR Women's Group Members
\$10.00 - for UUCSR Members
\$20.00 - Non-Members
\$5.00 - Children (12 and under)

Must RSVP with Sharyn by May 12
(RSVP by May 5 for childcare or help finding a ride)
516.472.2960, sesposito@uucsr.org

Limited seating: Priority admission will be given first to those who have registered and paid. Those who come and haven't registered will be asked to wait for all registered to be seated.

MEN'S GROUP

Spring Fling Dinner & Square Dance

Saturday, May 20, 6:00 PM, Social Hall
Members: \$15 Singles; \$25 Couples
Non-Members: \$20 Singles; \$30 Couples

Primo Fiore

Professional caller, Primo, will have you swinging your partner do-si-do!

Dress the part

Go all out, but jeans and a bandana will qualify!

50-50 Raffle

To benefit United Veterans Beacon House

Childcare available by request before 5/12/17

GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Loving and Saving Our Birds

Springtime means many things. Besides warmer temperatures, there are flowers peeping up through the ground, grasses growing and birds searching for places to nest. Unfortunately, our modern life and technology has threatened birds everywhere, so that these lovely creatures are diminishing at alarming rates. Our modern industries, for instance, kill hundreds of millions of birds each year. Some examples of bird deaths are the following: natural-gas flares which singe the Red-eyed Vireo, oil pits that drown roadrunners, and wind turbines that kill pelicans. There are inexpensive safeguards available to prevent these disasters if we invest in them. Mike Daulton, head of the National Audubon Society's policy team says, "By modernizing the law we can get those threats under control and conserve countless birds." What his agency is doing is to outline voluntary guidelines for utilities and the wind industry. These include bird-friendly steps such as limiting the height of power lines and putting hoods over turbine lights.

What we also need is a more friendly bird permitting process for those industries that unintentionally kill species listed under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Originally this act forbid people from capturing or harming birds from more than a thousand species. But although amended, it has been 44 years since it has been updated. In order to minimize bird deaths, it has been suggested that the MBTA has companies pay a mitigation fee whenever it expects that its operations will kill birds. Then the revenue extracted could pay for the cash-strapped agency to issue permit applications, etc. This is considered very visionary because of the complicated list of regulatory approaches that need oversight to make them work correctly.

Recently, under the Obama administration, the U.S. Fish and wildlife Service tried to empower the MBTA. But with the current administration's environmental position, it seems that our birds will be out in left field. Thus, any regulations that now exist remain voluntary, not mandatory. On the other hand, there are volunteers all over the world that are trying to save endangered and threatened birds. Two of the most outstanding ones live in Austria.

Anne-Gabriels Schmaisteg and Corinna Esterer are raising captive-bred ibis chicks. To do this, they live in an onsite-camper, so that they can feed and nurture them all day long. They are, in essence, their foster mothers. Using their spit (which must be free of any human contaminants like coffee or cigarettes for the first few months), it is mixed into the bird food. This makes the birds digestion easier. Since ibis chicks eat at least 15 times a day, when the foster mothers aren't feeding them, they are bonding via voice, touch, smell, eye contact. This ensures that the chicks will follow them when they are taught their migration path. This involves an 800-mile journey through the Alps following a microlight aircraft with their foster mothers on board. GPS tags have been attached to each bird, all 66. Stopover camps for crews helping them are set up on the ground for this 20-day journey. It is for all a journey of love and dedication in order to save this endangered species.

What can we do to show our own love of birds? We can protect our environment, which is their environment, too. We can help them nest by having a backyard filled with bushes and trees or buy a bird house or a bird feeder; we can leave grasses and leaves for

their nests, place water for them to drink; we can support any bird organization trying to help and save birds. Audubon is a leader, but on Long Island we have our local South Shore Audubon Society. Finally, we should tell our Congressmen or Representatives that supporting bird-friendly legislation is vital, such as the Endangered Species Act, and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act which needs to be strengthened to save our precious birds.

Elaine Peters for the Green Sanctuary
UU Community Garden Update

Thank you all for your interest in the community garden. At this time, we are full. If you are still interested in gardening, we can add you to a waiting list should someone drop out during the season. For more information, please contact May Choi-Steele at may_steele@yahoo.com or evening hours at 917.215.3336.

Warmly,
May Choi-Steele

REPURPOSING. RECYCLING. REBUILDING.

New and gently used bath towels may still be donated in the box by the cloak room until May 19. They are being donated to the Mary Brennan Inn, which is part of the Interfaith Nutrition Network.

The Green Sanctuary Committee of UUCSR
presents

BRINGING IT HOME

a documentary film by

Linda Booker and Blaire Johnson

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
7:30 p.m. • Social Hall

"A brilliantly executed documentary that weaves a touching narrative extolling the many benefits of industrial hemp for the environment and human health, while illuminating the obstacles to what could be a thriving industry for U.S. farmers to tap into."

—ERIC STEENSTRA, President of Vote Hemp
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PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Tuesday, May 02, 2017

10:30 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Veatch Ballroom
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	Nar-ANON Meeting	RE Room 19
6:30 PM	NAMI Family to Family Classes	RE Room 15
7:00 PM	Internship Committee Meeting	Office Conference Rm
7:30 PM	Annual Royalties Report Mtng	Veatch Ballroom
7:30 PM	RE Committee Meeting	Veatch Conference Rm

Wednesday, May 03, 2017

12:00 PM	Women Talk Daytime	Art Gallery
1:00 PM	Bridge Group	Veatch Ballroom
4:00 PM	75th Gala Planning Meeting	Veatch Library
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	BOT - Agenda Planning	Veatch Library
7:00 PM	SRI Committee Meeting	Veatch Conference Rm
7:30 PM	FDC Meeting	Veatch Oval Room
7:30 PM	GA Orientation Meeting	Office Conference Rm
7:30 PM	Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:30 PM	Membership Meeting	Art Gallery
7:30 PM	Willow Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
8:00 PM	Greysheeters	RE Room 17

Thursday, May 04, 2017

9:30 AM	INN Cooking	Main Kitchen
9:30 AM	Yoga	Veatch Ballroom
10:30 AM	AA Meeting	Room 206, 207
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:00 PM	Bereavement Support Group	Veatch Terrace Room
7:00 PM	MH Movie Night - Minds On Edge	Art Gallery

Friday, May 05, 2017

10:15 AM	Tai Chi/Qi Gong	Veatch Ballroom
1:00 PM	Bridge Lessons & Game Play	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:30 PM	Movie "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory"	RE Rm 15

Saturday, May 06, 2017

10:00 AM	Quilting	Room 204, 205
11:00 AM	Steve Kennedy Memorial	Worship Room
11:00 AM	Yoga	Veatch Ballroom
7:00 PM	Annual Gala Fabulous Fanny	Main Building
7:00 PM	Grade 7 Activity	Veatch Conf. Room

Sunday, May 07, 2017

8:30 AM	2nd Sunday SGM	Office Conference Rm
8:45 AM	Women's Group Board Meeting	Veatch Conference Rm
9:00 AM	Great Books-Shrt Stry Omnibus	RE Room 4
9:00 AM	Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal	Ensemble Rehearsl Rm
9:00 AM	New Member Sunday Breakfast	Art Gallery
9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal	Worship Room
10:00 AM	Bagel Breakfast	Social Hall
10:00 AM	Young People's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
11:00 AM	RE Classes	RE Wing
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Worship Room
12:00 PM	UU Cafe	Social Hall
12:45 PM	Congregational Meeting	Worship Room

Monday, May 08, 2017

1:30 PM	Shelter Rock Forum Meeting	Bride's Room
4:00 PM	Library/Bookstore Comm.Mtng	Bride's Room
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	Greysheeters	RE Room 17
7:30 PM	Building & Grounds Meeting	Office Conference Rm
7:30 PM	Program Council Meeting	Veatch Ballroom

Tuesday, May 09, 2017

10:30 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Veatch Ballroom
4:00 PM	Art Committee Meeting	Office Conference Rm
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
5:30 PM	Veatch BOG Meeting	Art Gallery, Terrace Rm
6:30 PM	Nar-ANON Meeting	RE Room 19
6:30 PM	NAMI Family to Family Classes	RE Room 15
7:00 PM	Caring Committee Meeting	Bride's Room
7:30 PM	Publicity and Promotions Mtng	Veatch Library

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

10:00 AM	NAMI Board Meeting	Bride's Room
12:30 PM	Reach Out America	Veatch House
1:00 PM	Bridge Group	Art Gallery
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:00 PM	NAMI Family Support Group	RE Room 15
7:30 PM	2nd Wednesday SGM meeting -	RE room 19
7:30 PM	Budget Hearing	Veatch Conference Rm
7:30 PM	Bylaws Committee Meeting	Veatch Library
7:30 PM	Food & Water Watch Meeting	RE Room 4
7:30 PM	Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:30 PM	Willow Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
7:30 PM	Monthly Committee Meeting	Art Gallery
8:00 PM	Greysheeters	RE Room 17

Thursday, May 11, 2017

9:30 AM	Yoga	Art Gallery
10:30 AM	AA Meeting	Room 206, 208
2:30 PM	Expeditions Meeting	Bride's Room
6:30 PM	Music Choir Dinner	Veatch Ballroom
7:00 PM	Bereavement Support Group	Veatch Terrace Room
7:00 PM	LI Media Task Force	RE Room 15
7:00 PM	NAMI Families YA Support Group	RE Room 17

Friday, May 12, 2017

10:15 AM	Tai Chi/Qi Gong	Veatch Ballroom
1:00 PM	Bridge Lessons & Game Play	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
6:00 PM	6th Grade Retreat	RE Wing
6:30 PM	Soulful Sundown	Main Building

Saturday, May 13, 2017

10:00 AM	Quilting	Room 204, 205
10:00 AM	Rev. Reed's Celebration of Life Service - Live Feed - First Unitarian Church, Louisville, KY	Chapel
11:00 AM	Yoga	Veatch Ballroom
6:00 PM	75th Anniversary Gala Celebration	Main Bldg

Sunday, May 14, 2017

9:00 AM	Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal	Ensemble Rehearsl Rm
9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal	Worship Room
10:00 AM	Bagel Breakfast	Social Hall
10:00 AM	Young People's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
11:00 AM	6th Grade Mother's Day Flower Sale	Main Lobby
11:00 AM	RE Classes	RE Wing
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Worship Room
12:00 PM	Lite UU Cafe	Social Hall
12:30 PM	Women's Group Mother's Day Luncheon	Veatch House

Monday, May 15, 2017

4:00 PM	Hospice Care Network	Main Building
6:30 PM	Greysheeters	RE Room 17
7:00 PM	Adult Programs Meeting	Art Gallery
7:00 PM	Nassau County Jail Group Mtg	Veatch Conference Rm
7:30 PM	DAC Meeting	Office Conference Rm
7:30 PM	Large Grants Advisory Group Mtg	Veatch Library

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Tuesday, May 16, 2017

10:30 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Veatch Ballroom
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	Nar-ANON Meeting	Chapel, RE Room 19
6:30 PM	NAMI Family to Family Classes	RE Room 15
7:30 PM	GS FILM - BRINGING IT HOME	Social Hall

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

12:00 PM	Women Talk Daytime	Art Gallery
1:00 PM	Bridge Group	Veatch Ballroom
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:00 PM	Leukemia/Lymphoma Soc. Mtg	RE Room 16
7:00 PM	Climate Justice Taskforce Meeting	Art Gallery
7:00 PM	NAMI Faith Net Presentation	Social Hall
7:30 PM	Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:30 PM	Willow Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
8:00 PM	Greysheeteer	RE Room 17

Thursday, May 18, 2017

9:30 AM	Yoga	Art Gallery
10:30 AM	AA Meeting	Room 206, 209
7:00 PM	Bereavement Support Group	Veatch Terrace Room
7:00 PM	Green Sanctuary Comm. Mtg	Staff Lunchroom
7:00 PM	NAMI - Sibling Support Group	RE Room 17
7:00 PM	Literacy Nassau Recognition Night	Main Building
7:30 PM	Committee on Ministry	RE Room 19

Friday, May 19, 2017

10:15 AM	Tai Chi/Qi Gong	Art Gallery
1:00 PM	Bridge Lessons & Game Play	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:00 PM	Soulful Small Group	RE Room 15
7:30 PM	Concert for Refugee Families featuring Syrian Singer, GAIDA!	Main Building
7:30 PM	Women's Group - Book Series	Art Gallery

Saturday, May 20, 2017

8:30 AM	OCIO Selection Task Force Mtg	Ballroom/Conf. Rm.
9:00 AM	INN Cooking	Main Kitchen
10:00 AM	Quilting	Room 204, 205
11:00 AM	Figuresque Workshop	Art Gallery
11:00 AM	Yoga	RE Room 4
5:00 PM	Dramatic Readings	Veatch Ballroom
6:00 PM	Spring Fling Dinner & Dance	Social Hall

Sunday, May 21, 2017

9:00 AM	Great Books-Shrt Stry Omnibus	RE Room 4
9:00 AM	MH Monthly Meeting	Veatch Conference Rm
9:00 AM	Worship Committee Meeting	Bride's Room
10:00 AM	CANCELLED: Choir Rehearsal	Worship Room
10:00 AM	Young People's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Worship Room
12:00 PM	Bridging Picnic	Main Building/Grounds
12:30 PM	Love & Stitches Craft Group	RE Room 15
1:00 PM	3rd Sunday SGM Meeting	Bride's Room
1:00 PM	Adoption Triad Ministry	RE Room 14
1:00 PM	Ethical Eating Cooking	Veatch Conference Rm

Monday, May 22, 2017

4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	Greysheeteer	RE Room 17
7:30 PM	Interim Minister's Transition Team	Bride's Room
7:30 PM	Publicity and Promotions Mtg	Art Gallery

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

10:30 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Veatch Ballroom
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5:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting	Veatch Library
6:30 PM	Nar-ANON Meeting	RE Room 19
6:30 PM	NAMI Family to Family Classes	RE Room 15
6:30 PM	Together to End Solitary	Art Gallery
7:00 PM	4th Tuesday SGM Meeting	Veatch Terrace Room
7:30 PM	Board of Trustee Meeting	Veatch Ballroom

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

1:00 PM	Bridge Group	Veatch Ballroom
1:00 PM	Virtual Senior Center	Art Gallery
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:00 PM	Student Activity Fund Workshop	Art Gallery/Terrace
6:30 PM	Investment Committee	Veatch Conference Rm
7:00 PM	NAMI Family Support Group	RE Room 15
7:30 PM	Inisfad-Zen Sitting Meditation	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:30 PM	Willow Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
8:00 PM	Greysheeteer	RE Room 17

Thursday, May 25, 2017

9:30 AM	Yoga	Art Gallery
10:30 AM	AA Meeting	Room 206, 210
3:15 PM	Housing Board Subsidy	Office Conference Rm
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:00 PM	Bereavement Support Group	Veatch Terrace Room
7:00 PM	NAMI Relatives Support Group	RE Room 17
7:30 PM	Board of Trustee Meeting	Veatch Ballroom

Friday, May 26, 2017

4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
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Saturday, May 27, 2017

10:00 AM	Quilting	Room 204, 205
11:00 AM	Yoga	Art Gallery

Sunday, May 28, 2017

9:30 AM	Childcare	RE Wing
10:00 AM	Bagel Breakfast	Social Hall
10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal	Worship Room
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Worship Room
12:00 PM	UU Cafe	Social Hall

Monday, May 29, 2017

8:00 AM	BUILDING CLOSED-Memorial Day Holiday	
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Tuesday, May 30, 2017

10:30 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Veatch Ballroom
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
6:30 PM	BOT - Agenda Planning Meeting	Veatch Library
6:30 PM	Nar-ANON Meeting	RE Room 19
6:30 PM	NAMI Family to Family Classes	RE Room 15

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

1:00 PM	Bridge Group	Veatch Ballroom
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:00 PM	NAMI Family Support Group	RE Room 15
7:30 PM	Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation	Ballroom/Terrace Rm
7:30 PM	Willow Rehearsal	Choir Rehearsal Room
8:00 PM	Greysheeteer	RE Room 17

Thursday, June 01, 2017

9:30 AM	INN Cooking	Main Kitchen
9:30 AM	Yoga	Art Gallery
10:00 AM	Family to Family Class	RE Room 15
10:30 AM	AA Meeting	Room 206, 211
4-7:15 PM	Personal Meditation	Worship Room
7:00 PM	Bereavement Support Group	Veatch Terrace Room

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CELEBRATE THE MUSIC OF FANNY MENDELSSOHN

The Women's Group Gala Concert honoring composer Fanny Mendelssohn will feature a performance of her music, much of which had previously been attributed to her brother, by Julliard's Philip Sheegog and Angie Zhang.

Fabulous Fanny

Saturday, May 6
7:00 p.m.

Desserts and champagne served.

Proceeds donated to
Planned Parenthood



Tickets: fabulousfanny.org
\$30 General Admission
\$25 for Women's Group members

ALL ARE WELCOME!

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR REFUGEE FAMILIES

Featuring renowned Syrian singer GAIDA

Offer hope to those fleeing war and violence!!

100% of proceeds from the concert will go to Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Services and Church World Service to support newly arrived Syrian, Afghan and Iraqi refugee families on LI and in NJ.

Friday
May 19
7:30 PM

Tickets online:
uucsr.org/GAIDA
or call 516.472.2960



\$20 General Admission
\$10 Under 18
\$25 Tickets at the Door